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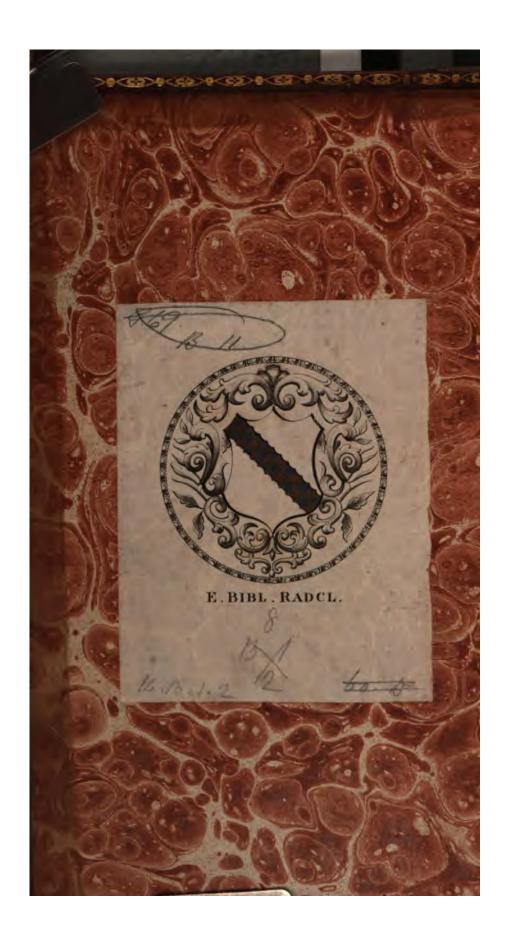
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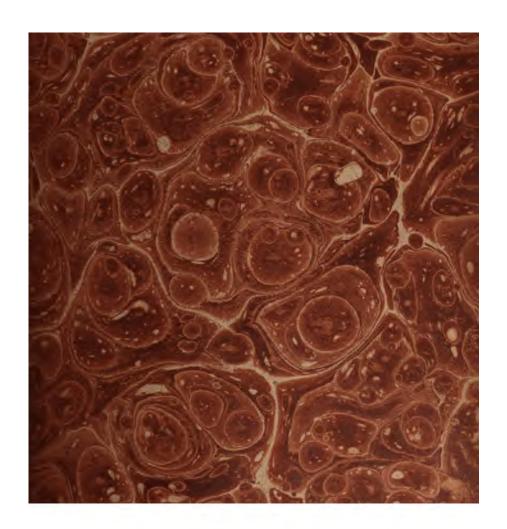
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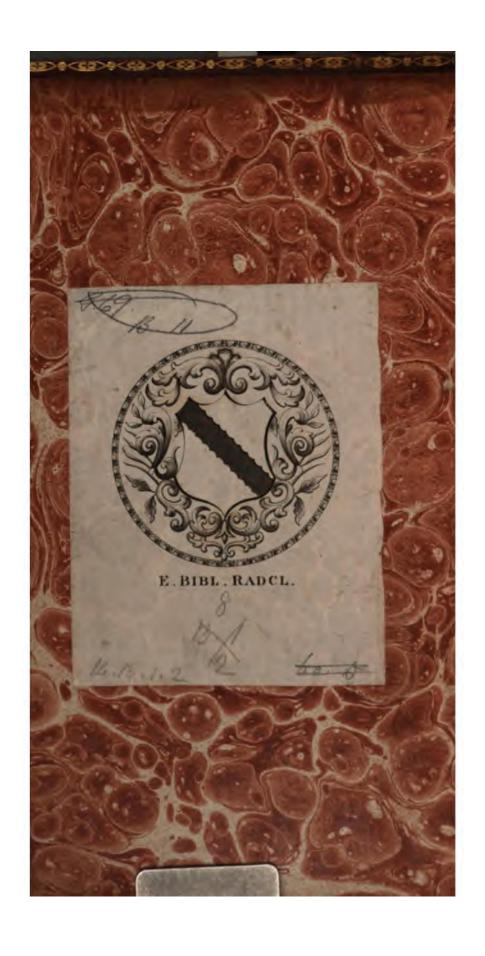
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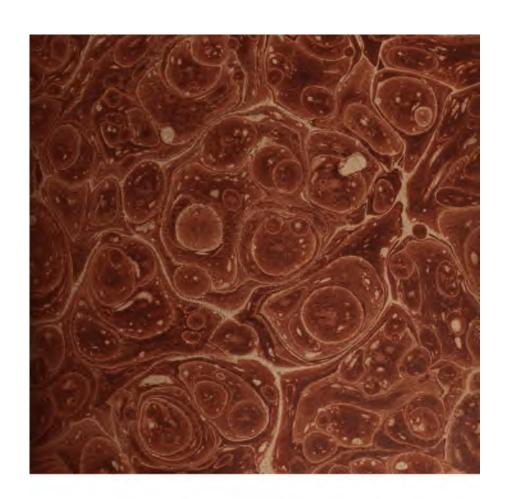
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ANTHOXANTHUM odoratum. Sweet-scented Vernal Grass.

DIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. a husk of 2 valves, single-flowered Cor. of 2 valves, awned. Seed 1.

Spec. Char. Spike ovato-oblong. Flowers longer than their awns, standing on short stalks.

Syn. Anthoxanthum odoratum. Linn. Sp. Pl. 40. Sm. Fl. Brit. 31. Hudf. 11. With. 58. Hull. 7. Relb. 11. Sibth. 18. Abbot. 8. Curt. Lond. fasc. 1. t. 4. Mart. Fl. Rust. t. 23.

Gramen vernum, spicâ brevi laxâ. Raii Syn. 398.

THIS is the only British grass, except Bromus diandrus and Carex atrata, that has fewer than 3 stamina, by which mark it is therefore easily known. It grows frequently and plentifully in pastures, slowering in May and June, and is supposed to have a principal share in causing that delightful fragrance so well known in a hay-sield; for when partially dried it exhales a very sweet odour, and, even in a recent state, its stalks if chewed are sound highly aromatic, tasting not unlike those of fresh lavender. It is esteemed a good food for cattle in general, but we know of no particular experiments that have been made upon it.







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NARDUS stricta.

Mat-grass.

TRIANDRIA Monogynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. none. Corolla of 2 valves.

Spec. Char. Spike slender, erect, the flowers all pointing one way.

SYN. Nardus stricta. Linn. Sp. Pl. 77. Huds. Fl. An. 22. With. Bot. Arr. 54. Relh. Cant. 21. Sibth. Ox. 33.

Gramen sparteum juncifolium. Raii Syn. 393.

THIS grass may be observed on sandy heaths in most parts of England, especially in moist or moorish spots, where it forms thick tufts of rigid rush-like leaves, which remain through winter

" bleaching in the northern blast."

The roots are perennial, fibrous, strong and downy. Leaves linear, very narrow, acute, striated, rough in the margin, very harsh and rigid, suddenly divaricating from their broad sheathing striated base, which envelops the bottom of the stalk, and is itself enveloped with scales externally, and crowned at the divarication with the usual stipula of grasses. Each stalk supports one leaf, and is erect, striated, rough, of the same texture and harshness as the leaves, and a little longer, bearing a very slender spike of equally slender flowers, alternately placed in two rows, but all pointing one way, though very little divaricated at any time from the stalk, and both before and after flowering clapped close to it. Valves of the calyx unequal in length, purplish and rough in the margin. Filaments a little exceeding the longest valve, tipped with nearly linear antherse. Germen small. Style solitary, slender, downy.

The Mat-grass flowers in May, June, or later. Of its agricultural uses little can be said, for cattle in general refuse it; and though mats or baskets might be made of it, we are supplied from Spain with better grasses for those purposes, parti-

cularly Stipa tenucissima.



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PHALARIS canariensis.

Manured Canary-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 carinated equal valves, longer than the corolla, single-flowered.
- Spec. Char. Panicle ovate, like a spike. Calyx-glumes boat-shaped. Corolla of four valves. Root fibrous.
- Syn. Phalaris canariensis. Linn. Sp. Pl. 79. Sm. Fl. Brit. 62. Huds. 23. With. 113. Hull. 15. Sibth. 33. Mart. Rust. t. 17.
 - P. major semine albo. Dill. in Raii Syn. 394.

Now naturalized in cultivated grounds, though probably not originally a native. We gathered it in Kennington fields. It is annual, flowering from June to August. Its small polished seed is well known to those who feed Canary-birds.

The root consists of several white fibres. Stems one or more, 2 feet high, striated, leafy, with brown joints. Leaves broad and acute, soft and pliable, with scarcely any roughness: their







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PHALARIS arenaria.

Sea Canary-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of two carinated equal valves, longer than the corolla, fingle-flowered.

Spec. Char. Spike ovato-lanceolate. Glumes ciliated. Stems several.

SYN. Phalaris arenaria. Huds. Fl. An. 23.

Ph. phleoides B. Ait. Hort. Kew. v. 1. 86.

Phleum arenarium. Linn. Sp. Pl. 88. With. Bot. Arr. 62.

Gramen typhinum maritimum minus. Raii Syn. 398.

FOUND every where about fandy fea-shores and the neighbouring fields; it has even been observed upon Swaffham heath by James Crowe, Esq. and on that of Newmarket by the Rev. Mr. Hemsted, who favoured us with this specimen. On the sea-coast the plant is seldom so luxuriant. It is an annual, and flowers in June.

The root is fibrous, and downy, like the grass last described. Stems several, dividing from the crown of the root or a little higher as in wheat, sometimes bent at the joints, clothed with leaves, whose edge is a little rough, their sheaths long, inflated, striated and smooth. The slower-stalk commonly very







PHALARIS phleoides. Cat's-tail Canary-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 carinated equal valves, longer than the corolla, fingle flowered.

Spec. Char. Panicle nearly cylindrical, in the form of a fpike. Glumes linear-lanceolate, fmoothifh, their inner margin abrupt. Stem fimple.

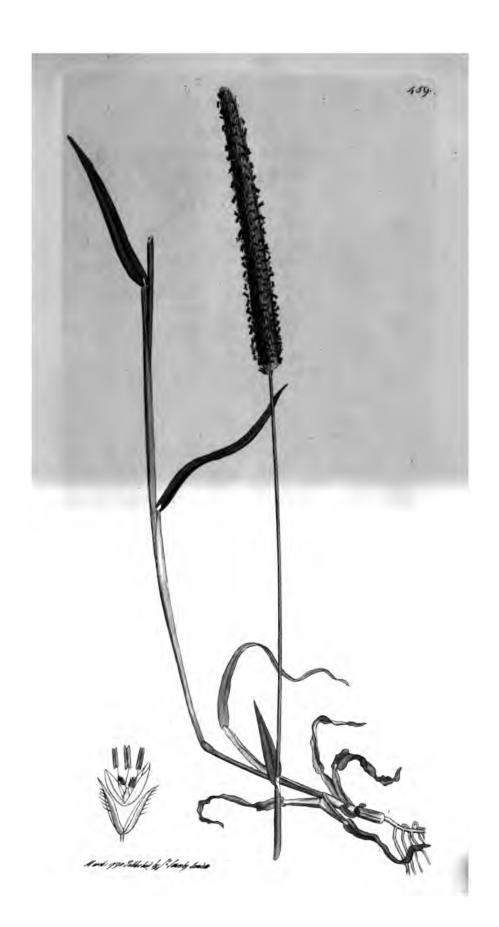
Syn. Phalaris phleoides. Linn. Sp. Pl. 80. With. 114. Fl. Dan. t. 531.

Gramen typhinum, spica conoide striata, culmo violacco. Barrel. Ic. t. 21.

A NATIVE of high fandy countries, found by Mr. Crowe and Mr. Woodward on Swaffham heath in 1780; but it appears from the Bankfian Herbarium that the late Mr. Lyons had previously gathered it in Cambridgeshire, though the two gentlemen above mentioned have the merit of determining it, Mr. Hudson having supposed his *Phleum paniculatum* (a very different grass) to be the *Phalaris phleoides* of Linnæus, which last he probably never saw. The Rev. Mr. Hemsted gathered this specimen on Chippenham Park wall, Cambridgeshire,

flowering in July.

Root fibrous, perennial, crowned with tufts of spreading glaucous leaves which endure the winter. Straw simple, generally solitary, most leafy below, round, smooth, purple and shining above, a foot and half high. Leaves sheathing, linearlanceolate, rough at the edge, their sheaths scarcely inflated, roughish. Panicle terminal, solitary, erect, dense, nearly cylindrical and exactly like a spike, but when bent on one side it feparates into lobes or branches of feveral flowers each. Calyx nearly linear, fomewhat constricted near the top, purplish; the valves linear-lanceolate, compressed, pointed, 3-nerved, a little divaricated at the point, and furnished with a white membranous margin which at its fummit is in fome degree abrupt, approaching to the structure of a Phleum; but this species cannot be confidered as fuch, on account of its strict affinity to Phalaris arenaria, see our t. 222, from which it differs however, as a species, in having a perennial root, a branched or panicled spike, glumes less frequently and completely ciliated, and lanceolate (not abrupt or crenate) petals.——We regret that we have not yet been able to obtain a wild specimen of Phleum paniculatum, that it might have been published at the fame time with this.



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PHALARIS arundinacea.

Reed Canary-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 carinated equal valves, singleflowered, longer than the corolla, which is double, the inner one hardened investing the seed.

SPEC. CHAR. Panicle upright, with spreading branches.

Flowers crowded, leaning one way.

Syn. Phalaris arundinacea. Linn. Sp. Pl. 80. Huds. 23.

Abbot. 13. Fl. Dan. t. 259. Ehrh. Calam. 51.

Schrad. Germ. v. 1, 180. t. 6. f. 5.

Arundo colorata. Soland. in Ait. H. Kew. v. 1. 116. Sm. Fl. Brit. 147. Knapp. t. 98. Hall. v. 2. 35. Relh. 44.

Calamagrostis variegata. With. 124.

C. colorata. Sibth. 37.

Gramen arundinaceum acerosâ glumâ nostras. Raii Syn. 400.

MISLED by great authority, I have in Fl. Brit. referred this grass to Arundo, and Mr. Sowerby by mistake gave its figure in t. 402 for A. epigejos, really represented in t. 403. We wish to correct both errors by this new page of letterpress,

and another to replace p. 403.

The present plant is extremely common about pools, ditches and rivers, flowering in July. A variegated kind is frequent in gardens. The root is perennial, creeping, and tufted. Stems from 2 to 5 feet high, erect, strong, reedy, smooth and leafy, with several joints. Leaves lanceolate, striated, pointed, smooth, more or less glaucous, with long, ribbed, scarcely swelling sheaths. Stipula short, bluntish. Panicle erect, branched, lobed, its branches spreading, angular and rough. Flowers crowded, leaning one way, often purplish. Calyx-glumes equal, keeled, ribbed. Inner corolla shorter than the calyx, downy; cartilaginous at length, and enfolding the seed; outer of 2 very minute linear, gibbous, hard valves, each bearing a tuft of hairs exceeding their own length.

Dr. Schrader rightly observes that the hardened permanent corolla proves this a *Phalaris*, and that what have been taken for more tufts of hair, are really outer petals. These parts not being represented in t. 402, we have inserted them in t. 2160, at







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PANICUM verticillatum. Rough Panick-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 3 valves, fingle-flowered; the third valve very small. Seed invested with the permanent hardened corolla.

Spec. Char. Spike whorled; spikelets in sours. Involucra of two bristles, rough with reversed

teeth, and embracing a fingle flower.

Syn. Panicum verticillatum. Linn. Sp. Pl. 82. Sm. Fl. Brit. 64. Huds. 24. With. 114. Hull. 15. Curt. Lond. fasc. 4. t. 6.

Gramen paniceum, spicâ asperâ. Raii Syn. 394.

FOUND occasionally in cultivated fields, particularly such as are somewhat moist. We believe no place in England is so certainly known to produce it as the neighbourhood of Battersca, from whence this specimen was taken. It is merely a botanical curiosity, being an useless, if not a noxious, weed to the agricul turist. It is annual, flowering in July or August.

Root fibrous. Stems widely spreading, leasy, rough above, from 6 to 24 inches high. Leaves lanceolate, harsh, very rough on the margin, pointed, with a fringed stipula crowning the inside of their sheath. Spike solitary, terminal, creek, green with a purplish tinge, composed of many whorled spikelets, four in a whorl when the plant enjoys a competent share of







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PANICUM viride.

Green Panick-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 3 valves, fingle-flowered; the third valve very small. Seed invested with the permanent hardened corolla.
- Spec. Char. Spike cylindrical; fpikelets crowded. Involucra of feveral briftles, rough with erect teeth, and embracing two flowers.
- Syn. Panicum viride. Linn. Sp. Pl. 83. Sm. Fl. Brit. 65. Huds. 24. With. 115. Hull. 15. Curt. Lond. sasc. 4. t. 5.

Gramen paniceum, spicâ simplici lævi. Raii Syn. 393.

THIS is also a native of cultivated ground, but generally in more dry and fandy places than P. verticillatum, nor is it esteemed so rare as that species. We gathered it at Batter-sea, and have sound it about Norwich. It is annual, slowering at the same time with the preceding, and is of as little value to the farmer.

Root fibrous. Stems fpreading, from 3 to 18 inches high, leafy, rough above. Leaves and flipulæ much like the laft.







PANICUM Crus-galli. Loofe Panick-grafs.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 3 valves, fingle-flowered; the third valve very finall. Seed invested with the permanent hardened corolla.

SPEC. CHAR. Spike doubly compound; its stalk mostly five-angled: spikelets alternate or in pairs, subdivided. Color bounded rough

fubdivided. Calyx bearded, rough.

Syn. Panicum Crus-galli. Linn. Sp. Pl. 83. Sm. Fl. Brit. 65. Hudf. 24. With. 115. Hull. 15. Curt. Lond. fasc. 4. t. 8.

Gramen paniceum, spica divisa. Raii Syn. 394.

GATHERED at Battersea with the two last described. They are all reckoned among our most rare British grasses. They certainly cannot easily be overlooked, especially that now before us, which slowers at the same time with the preceding, and is likewise annual.

Root fibrous. Stems strong, erect or spreading, 2 feet high or more, leafy, striated, smooth. Leaves long and broad, rough, with swelling sheaths, without stipulæ. Spikes erect, twice compound, being formed of spreading branches generally leaning to one side, standing either alternately or in pairs, and each composed of several thick-set lobed spikelets. The com-



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PANICUM fanguinale.

Cock's-foot Panick-grafs.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 3 valves, fingle-flowered; the third valve very finall. Seed invested with the permanent hardened corolla.
- Spec. Char. Spikes finger-like, knotty at the base on the inside. Flowers in pairs, beardless. Sheaths of the leaves dotted.
- SYN. Panicum fanguinale. Linn. Sp. Pl. 84. Sm. Fl. Brit. 66. Hudf. 25. With 115. Hull. 15. Curt. Lond. fasc. 4. t. 7. Mart. Fl. Rust. t. 78. Gramen dactylon, latiore folio. Raii Syn. 399.

NONE of the places of growth of this grass mentioned by British writers is, we believe, so constantly to be depended on as Battersea sields, from whence our specimens were collected. In other parts of the kingdom it occurs but sparingly or occasionally, as must always be the case with such annuals (especially grasses) as grow only in a rich manured soil.

The root is fibrous and annual, and the flowers are to be feen from July to the end of autumn. Stems numerous, beni and decumbent at their bafe, foreading widely upwards, in







PANICUM dastylon.

Creeping Panick-grafs.

TRIANDRIA Dizmia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 3 valves, fingle-flowered; the third valve very fmall. Seed invested with the permanent hardened corolla.
- SPEC. CHAR. Spikes finger-like, hairy at the base on the inside. Flowers solitary. Calyx of two nearly equal valves, contrary to the corolla. Shoots creeping.
- Syn. Panicum dactylon. Linn. Sp. Pl. 85. Sm. Fl. Brit. 67. Hudf. 25. With. 116. t. 21. Hull. 15. Dickf. Dr. Pl. 53. H. Sicc. fafc. 11. 1.
 - Gramen repens, cum paniculà graminis Mannæ. R.iii Syn. 399.

MR. NEWTON is handed down by Ray as the discoverer of this curious species of transum on the sandy shores between Pensance and Marketjeu, Cornwall, where it has grown copiously ever since. We are indebted to Dr. Pennick of Pensance for wild specimens. It has never been observed in any other part of Great Britain. In the north of Italy it is common in the streets of several towns.





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PH1. EUM pratense. Common Gat's-tail-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

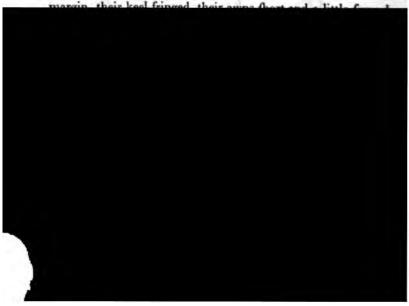
GEN. CHAR. Cal. two-valved, abrupt, pointed, sessile, longer than the corolla, single-flowered.

Spec. Char. Spike cylindrical, very long. Glumes fringed at the back, longer than the awns.

SYN. Phleum pratense. Linn. Sp. Pl. 87. Sm. Fl. Brit. 68. Huds. 25. With. 117. Hull. 16. Relb. 23. ed. 2. 24. Sibth. 34. Abbot. 13. Mart. Fl. Rust. t. 5.

Gramen typhinum majus et minus. Raii Syn. 398. .

COMMON every where in meadows, pastures and waste ground, where its spikes may be found from June to October. The root is perennial, jointed, and more or less creeping. Stems erect, 3 or 4 feet in height, leasy, except in the upper part, striated. Leaves stat, tapering to a point, roughish to the touch, with long, striated, cylindrical sheaths, crowned by a short, blunt stipula. Spike solitary, upright, cylindrical, obtuse, composed of innumerable closely-crowded slowers, and varying from 2 to 4 or 5 inches in length. The calyx-valves are green, or purplish, with pale nerves, and a dilated, white, membranous







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PHLEUM alpinum.

Alpine Cat's-tail Grass.

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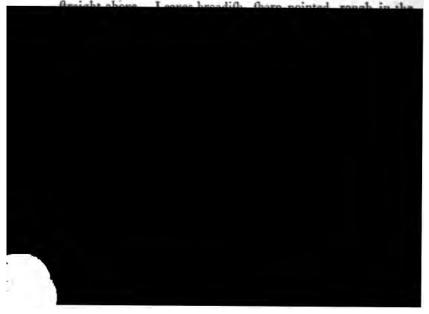
GEN. CHAR. Cal. two-valved, abrupt, pointed, feffile, longer than the corolla, fingle flowered.

SPEC. CHAR. Spike ovato-cylindrical. Aristæ about as long as the glumes.

SYN. Phleum alpinum. Linn. Sp. Pl. 88. Dicks. Tr. of Linn. Soc. v. 2. 288. With. 119. Fl. Dan. t. 213.

FIRST discovered by Mr. Dickson on mountains near Garway Moor, Scotland, from whence Mr. Don and Mr. Mackay have favoured us with specimens. It is a truly alpine grass, making the principal part of the turf in the most elevated pastures of Switzerland, and probably is to be found in similar situations in more parts than one of our island. It is perennial, and slowers about the end of July.

The root is inclined to be creeping, and a little tuberous. Stem mostly solitary, simple, ascending, about a foot or more in height; leafy below; naked, smooth, striated and very







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PHLEUM paniculatum. Panicled Cat's-tail-grafs.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. two-valved, abrupt, pointed, sessile longer than the corolla, single-flowered.

SPEC. CHAR. Panicle cylindrical, resembling a spike.
Glumes naked, tumid in their upper part. Stem
branched.

SYN. Phleum paniculatum. Huds. 26. Sm. Fl. Brit. 70. With. 117. Hull. 16. Relh. Suppl. 1. 8. ed. 2. 24. Phalaris paniculata. Ait. Hort. Kew. v. 1. 87. Sibth. 34.

THE merit of making this grass known to British botanists certainly belongs to Mr. Hudson, who has given an excellent description of it, though his synonyms are all doubtful at least, and the citation of Linnæus certainly wrong. It is an annual grass occurring, but very rarely, on dry, elevated ground, flowering in July. Mr. Hudson seems to have gathered it near Bristol. Mr. Relhan has sought for it in vain himself in Cambridgeshire. In the Banksian Herbarium are specimens from Badminton park, Gloucestershire, and Mr. Dawson Turner has communicated it to us from Bedfordshire. The sigure is from a garden specimen, compared with wild ones.

Root of feveral firong fhort fibres. Stems feveral, branched, leafy, very fmooth. Leaves numerous, upright, roughish,





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PHLEUM Michelii. Michelian Cat's-tail Grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2, nearly equal, sharp, taperpointed valves, single-flowered. Cor. of 2 beardless valves, included in the calyx, loosely investing the seed.

Spec. Char. Panicle nearly cylindrical, in the form of a spike. Glumes of the calyx lanceolate, somewhat awn-pointed, strongly fringed, and

hairy.

Syn. Phleum Michelii. Allion. Ped. v. 2.233. Schrad. Germ. v. 1. 187. t. 1. f. 2.

P. n. 1532. Hall. Hist. v. 2. 246.

Phalaris alpina. Haënke in Jacq. Coll. v. 2. 91/ Host. Gram. v. 2. 26. t. 35.

Gramen typhoides alpinum, spicâ graciliori delicatâ et villosâ. Scheuchz. Agr. 65. Hall. Enum. 10. n. 264.

DISCOVERED by Mr. G. Don on rocky parts of the high mountains of Clova, Angusshire. His specimen agrees with authentic Austrian, Swiss and Italian ones, sent us long ago by the various authors who have mentioned this curious alpine grass, except in being less luxuriant, owing probably to its more northern, or more barren, place of growth. So rare an acquisition to our Flora cannot but be highly welcome.



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ALOPECURUS pratenfis.

Meadow Fox-tail-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing a fin & floret. Cor. of 1 valve.

SPEC. CHAR. Stem erect, imooth. Spike fomew lobed. Glumes of the calyx hairy, united their base.

Syn. Alopecurus pratensis. Linn. Sp. Pl. 88. 52 Fl. Brit. 72. Hulf. 27. With. 119. Hull. 29 Relb. 24. Sibth. 34. Abbot. 12. Curt. Lond. fasc. 1. 5. Mart. Fl. Rust. t. 6.

Gramen Alopecuro fimile glabrum, cum pilis long usculis in spica. Raii Syn. 346.

A VERY common and extremely valuable grass in rathal moist and sertile (but neither very wet nor very dry) pasturand meadows, slowering in May; for whose properties are advantages we must refer our readers to the Flora Londinens's contenting ourselves with summing up the whole in the wors of Prof. Martyn. "It undoubtedly possesses the three great requisites of quantity, quality and earliness, in a superior degree to any other."

To diffinguish this grass at first fight by its oblong, cylindreal, thick, somewhat filky and grayish spikes is not very different to the control of the con







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ALOPECURUS alpinus. Alpine Fox-tail-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, fingle-flowered. Cor. of 1 acute, awned valve.

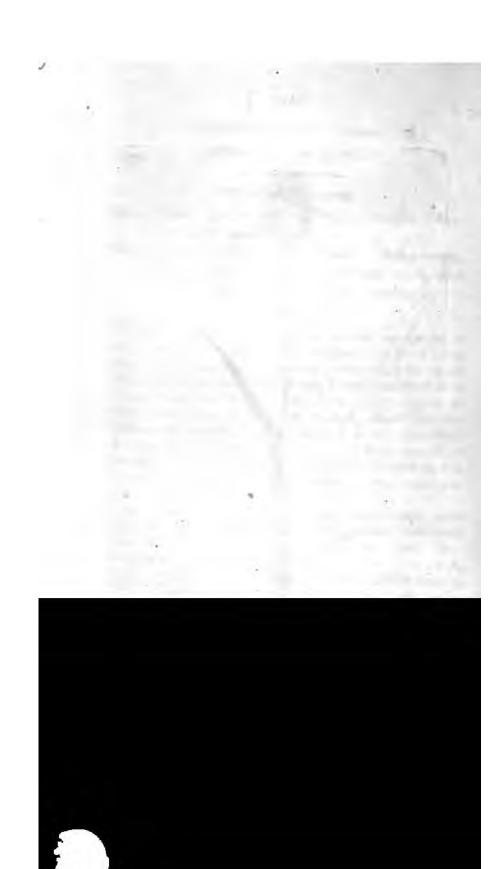
Spec. Char. Stem erect, fmooth. Spike ovate. Glumes of the calyx downy, without awns, and nearly as long as the awns of the corolla.

MR. G. DONN has favoured us with this new species of Alopecurus, discovered by himself on mountains about Lock Nagore in Aberdeenshire. We find no description to which it can be certainly referred, although that of Professor Vahl's A. antarcticus, see Wildenow Sp. Pl. v. 1. 357, agrees in every point except the length of the arista, which Vahl describes as twice the length of the calyx, whereas in our plant it is scarcely at all longer than the calyx. It is not impossible that a grass of the Straits of Magellan should also grow on the mountains of Scotland. Unluckily we want a specimen to decide this point.

A. alpinus has a creeping perennial blackish root, with many long fibres. Stem about a foot high, bent at the lowest joint, then erect, fimple, leafy, smooth in every part. Radical leaves narrow; those on the stem broader, short, flat, than pointed smooth, with long and slightly instated sheaths.







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ALOPECURUS agrestis.

Slender Fox-tail-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing a fingle floret. Cor. of 1 valve.

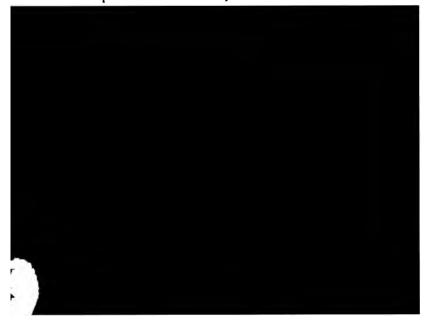
SPEC. CHAR. Stem erect, roughish. Spike perfectly fimple, taper. Glumes of the calyx nearly naked, united at their base, dilated at the keel.

Syn. Alopecurus agrestis. Linn. Sp. Pl. 89. Sm. Fl. Brit. 73. Huds. 27. With. 119. Hull. 16. Relb. 24. Sibth. 35. Abbot. 12. Mart. Fl. Rust. 1. 22.

A. myosuroides. Curt. Lond. fasc. 2. t. 7. Gramen myosuroides n. 1 et 2. Raii Syn. 397.

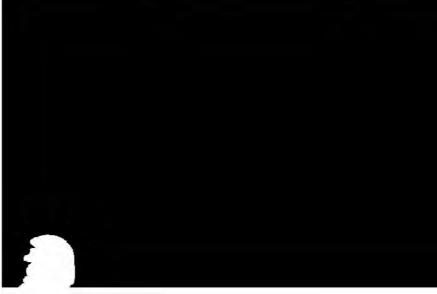
A NATIVE of corn-fields and waste ground, slowering in July, and the root is annual.

This grafs differs very materially from the Meadow Fox-tail figured in our 759th plate; for as that by its perennial duration, fituation in meadows and pastures, and excellent qualities for fodder, may be esteemed one of the most valuable, this on the contrary is rather to be reckoned a weed, exhausting the strength of arable land to no purpose; for, whether it might be acceptable to cattle or not, it cannot be collected for their









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ALOPECURUS bulbosus.

Bulbous Fox-tail-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing a single floret. Cor. of 1 valve.

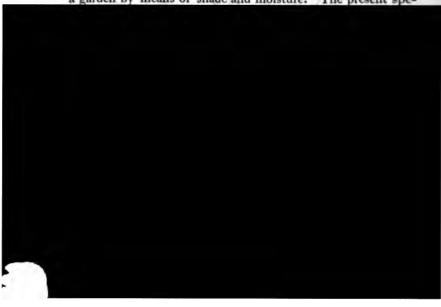
Spec. Char. Stem erect. Spike simple, tapering. Glumes of the calyx distinct, downy. Root bulbous.

Syn. Alopecurus bulbosus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 1665. Sm. Fl. Brit. 73. With. 120. Hull. 16.

A. geniculatus β. Huds. 27.

Gramen myosuroides nodosum. Dill. in Raii Syn. 397. t. 20. f. 2.

THIS grass is found in salt marshes only, nor does it appear to be correctly understood by botanists in general. Hudson asserts that in watery places it becomes the *geniculatus*; but this is so far from being correct that it always grows in watery places. We have preserved it unchanged for several years in a garden by means of shade and moisture. The present spe-









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ALOPECURUS geniculatus.

Floating Fox-tail-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing a single floret. Cor. of 1 valve.

Spec. Char. Stem ascending, bent at the joints. Spike somewhat compound, cylindrical. Glumes obtuse, hairy.

SYN. Alopecurus geniculatus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 89. Sm. Fl. Brit. 74. Huds. 27. With. 120. Hull. 16. Relh. 25. Sibth. 35. Abbot. 12. Curt. Lond. fasc. 5. t. 6. Mart. Rust. t. 97.

Gramen aquaticum geniculatum spicatum. Raii Syn. 396.

VERY frequent in watery situations, by the sides of ditches and ponds, and most commonly floating to a great extent upon their surfaces, flowering in July.

The root is fibrous and perennial. Stems several, various in length, smooth, branched, with many bent joints, the low-ermost of which throw out numerous simple radicles when they float on the water. Leaves much broader and shorter









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ALOPECURUS fulvus.

Orange-spiked Fox-tail-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

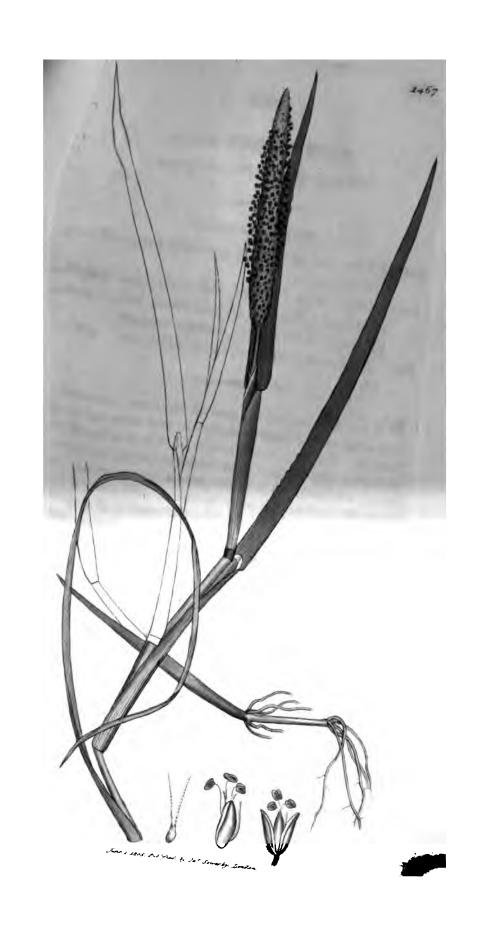
GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing a single floret. Cor. of 1 valve.

Spec. Char. Stem ascending, bent at the joints. Spike compound, cylindrical. Glumes obtuse, hairy. Awn the length of the calyx. Antheræ roundish.

SYN. Alopecurus geniculatus, var. 4. With. 121. Hull.

WE had never noticed this grass till Mr. Stone communicated it last summer from Swainsthorpe, four miles south of Norwich. The only certain mention of it is to be found in Withering, (for we have great doubts concerning his synonyms,) who suspected it might prove a distinct species, to which we assent without much hesitation.

It grows floating in the water like the common A. geniculatus, v. 18. l. 1250, but is at first sight very conspicuous on account of the length of its spike, and rich deep orange colour of its antheræ. On a close examination the parts last mentioned are totally different in form from those of the geniculatus, being not half so long, nor of a linear shape, but very short, thick, and almost round, deeply cloven at each end, bursting by an oval orifice at each side. When old they turn quite white. The glumes are obtuse, and fringed with very soft hairs. The awn also is peculiarly soft and slender, and not longer than the glumes. The general habit of the plant is much like that of A. geniculatus, but larger, and the spike more compound. The form of the antheræ must be considered as its most essential character, as their colour affords its most striking indication at a distance.





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KNAPPIA agrostidea. Early Knappia.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 obtuse valves, single-flowered, awnless. Cor. of 1 hairy, abrupt, awnless valve. Flowers alternate, on a serpentine rachis.

SPEC. CHAR.

SYN. Agrostis minima. Linn. Sp. Pl. 93. Sm. Fl. Brit. 82. Huds. 32. With. 134. Hull. 19. Gramen minimum Anglo-Britannicum. Raii Syn. Indic. Pl. Dub.

THE elucidation of a new species of grass in the foregoing page, and of a new genus in this, will we hope justify our publishing more of one tribe in the present number than usual. Many botanists have doubted the propriety of referring the present plant to Agrossis, and our own suspicions respecting it have at length been confirmed by the opinion of J. L. Knapp, Esq. F.L.S. whose History of British Grasses, now preparing for the press, and illustrated with most accurate figures, drawn by himself from every species in its native situation, will abundantly justify our giving his name to the genus we have agreed with him to establish.

This curious little grafs very rarely occurs. It grows in fandy maritime paftures, flowering in March and April. The Rev. Mr. Davies, to whom we are obliged for wild freeimens.





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MILIUM effusum.

Spreading Millet-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, fingle-flowered, tumid-Seed invested with the permanent hardened corolla-

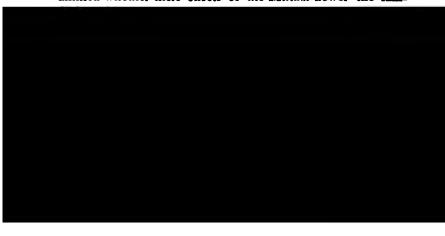
SPEC. CHAR. Flowers loosely panicled, awnless. Syn. Milium effusum. Linn. Sp. Pl. 90. Sm.

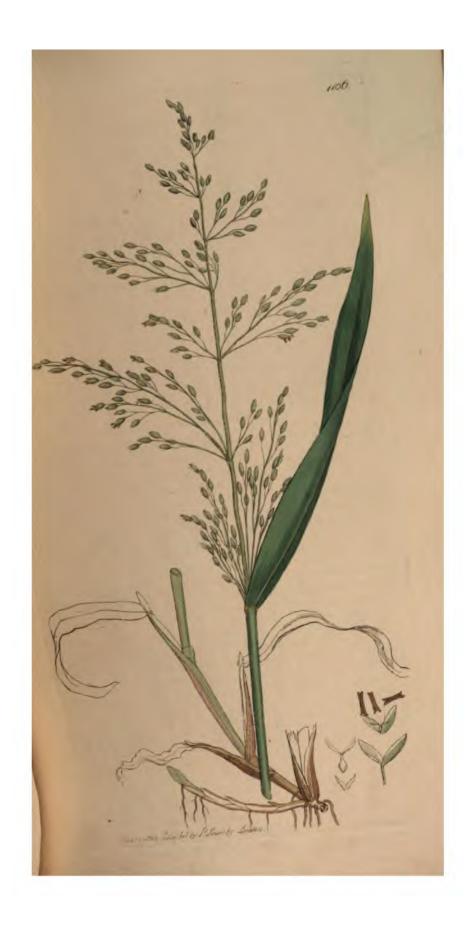
Brit. 75. Hudf. 29. With. 122. Hull. 77. Relh. 26. Sibth. 35. Abbot. 13. Curt. Lors. fasc. 4. t. 12.

Gramen miliaceum. Raii Syn. 402.

AN elegant grass, not unusual in moist shady places, flowering in June and July.

The root is fibrous, bearing one or more stems, and throwing out several procumbent shoots that produce radicles from their joints. Hence the plant appears to be, as Linnæus are Curtis assert, perennial; and having never cultivated it, whave no solid grounds for supporting a contrary opinion nevertheless, several truly annual plants, as Poa annua an some species of Polygonum, do take fresh root during the summer in a similar manner, and it only remains to be examined whether these offsets of the Milium slower the same









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MILIUM lendigerum. Panick Millet-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, fingle-flowered, tumid. Seed invested with the permanent hardened corolla.

SPEC. CHAR. Panicle close and spiked. Corolla awned.

SYN. Milium lendigerum. Linn. Sp. Pl. 91. Sm. Fl. Brit. 76. With. 122. Hull. 17.

Agrostis australis. Linn. Mant. 1. 30.

A. rubra. Huds. ed. 1. 26.

A. ventricosa. Gouan. Hort. 39. t. 1. f. 2.

Alopecurus ventricosus. Huds. ed. 2. 28.

Panicum serotinum arvense, spicâ pyramidatâ. Raii Syn. 394.

IT is difficult to draw a line between the characters of Milium and Agrostis, nor is the Linnæan definition of the latter correct; hence there will be found in the Fl. Brit. a contrariety between that definition (too incautiously adopted) and the particular descriptions copied from nature. If the corolla of Agrostis be described membranous, instead of "larger than the calyx," it will probably remove the difficulty. The grass now before us Linnæus has unconsciously mentioned under both genera. We consider it as a Milium, because the corolla hardens as the seed ripens, and closely enfolds it: in











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AGROSTIS Spica venti.

Silky Bent-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 acute valves, fingle-flowered. Cor. of 2 unequal valves, larger than the calys. Stigmas feathery.
- Spec. Char. Exterior petal furnished with a straight stiff and very long awn, inserted below the summit. Panicle spreading.
- SYN. Agrostis Spica venti. *Linn. Sp. Pl.* 91. *Sm. Fl. Brit.* 77. *Huds.* 30. *With.* 126. *Hull.* 18. *Relb.* 26. *Abbot.* 14.
 - Gramen miliaceum majus, glumis aristatis, spadiceis et pallidis. Raii Syn. 405.

GATHERED by Mr. Groult in July last between Kennington and Camberwell. It is by no means a common grass, but is chiefly to be looked for in fandy corn-fields that are occafionally inundated, where its ample shining panicles, elegantly waving in the wind, betray it at a considerable distance.

Root annual, formed of numerous crooked fibres, peculiarly thick at their origin. Stems feveral, 2 or 2 feet high, leafy.



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AGROSTIS canina.

Brown Bent-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 acute valves, single-flowered. Cor. of 2 unequal membranous valves. Stigmas feathery.
- Spec. Char. Calyx ovate, coloured, with one valve rough. Corolla naked, with a dorsal incurved awn. Stems prostrate, somewhat branched.
- Syn. Agrostis canina. Linn. Sp. Pt. 92. Sm. Ft.
 Brit. 78. Huds. 30, α. Relh. 26. Sibth. 36.
 Abbot. 14. Knapp t. 21.

A. vinealis. With. 127. Hull. 18.

By no means rare in damp fields, boggy places, or ditches, flowering the end of June or beginning of July.

Root perennial, creeping, its fibres downy. Stems several, forming a dense tuft, creeping and prostrate except the flowering part, which grows ascending or erect. Leaves narrow,







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AGROSTIS panicea. Bearded Bent-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 acute valves, single-flowered.

Cor. of 2 unequal membranous valves. Stigmas
feathery.

Spec. Char. Panicle spiked, dense, lobed and subdivided. Calyx-valves linear-lanceolate, rough, with long capillary awns. Corolla with a terminal awn. Stem upright. Root fibrous.

Syn. Agrostis panicea. Ait. Hort. Kew. v. 1. 94.

A. triaristata. Knapp. t. 23.

Phleum crinitum. Schreb. Gram. 151. t. 20. f. 3. Sm. Fl. Brit. 71. Sm. Prodr. Fl. Græc. Sibth. v. 1. 42.

Alopecurus aristatus. Huds. 28.

A. monspeliensis et paniceus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 89, 90. With. 121. Hull. 16, 17.

A. maxima anglica. Raii Syn. 396.

IF any department of botany requires circumspection and frequent revision and correction, the genera of grasses are in that predicament. I submit to the opinion of Mr. Knapp, which was originally that of the great Solander, founded on the habit of this grass, and strengthened by the analogy of Agrostis littoralis, v. 18. t. 1251, in removing it from Phleum to that genus, and have hinted at the propriety of this measure in the Prodromus Fl. Græcæ just published. I cannot however adopt a new specific name, which applies equally well to A. littoralis, when a better is already in print in the Hortus Kewensis.

A. paniceo occurs here and there in moist maritime situations. It was sent us from the northern coast of Norfolk by Mr. W. Borrer. It is annual, flowering late in the autumn, and varies much in size according to accidental circumstances. Hence Linnæus has described it twice over. The root is small and fibrous. Stems one or more, upright or ascending, very smooth, leafy. Leaves rough-edged, with long smooth sheaths. Stipula oblong, rough at the back. Panicle pale, dense, lobed and branched, of innumerable flowers, the long shining rough awns of whose calyx-valves give the whole a peculiar silky appearance. The awn of the corolla is much shorter. The calyx-valves, though acute, are cloven, owing to the insertion of the awns.









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AGROSTIS littoralis.

Sea-side Bent-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 acute valves, single-flowered. Cor. of 2 unequal membranous valves. Stigmas feathery.
- Spec. Char. Calyx-glumes linear-lanceolate, awned. Corolla smooth, with a straight nearly terminal awn. Stems decumbent.
- SYN. Agrostis littoralis. Sm. Fl. Brit. 78. With. 129? Hull. 18? Dicks. H. Sicc. fasc. 16. 1.

THIS curious Agrostis, distinguished from all other British species by its awned calyx, was first found in salt marshes near Cley, Norfolk, by the Rev. Mr. Bryant, in company with Mr. Rose and others, so long ago as August 1777. It was sent to Sir J. Banks and Dr. Selander, the latter of whom described and named it. Some of the original specimens are now before me; but that in the annexed plate was gathered by Mr. George Jackson, in August 1903, near the powder magazine 4 miles from Woolwich. Mr. Dickson found the same on the Essex coast. Dr. Withering has been very unfortunate in his information respecting this plant, and has figured and







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AGROSTIS setacea.

Bristle-leaved Bent-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. GHAR. Cal. of 2 acute valves, single-flowered. Cor. of 2 unequal membranous valves. Stigmas feathery.

Spec. Char. Calyx lanceolate. Corolla with a bent awn from its base. Radical leaves bristle-shaped.

SYN. Agrostis setacea. Curt. Lond. fasc. 6. t. 12. Sm. Fl. Brit. 79.

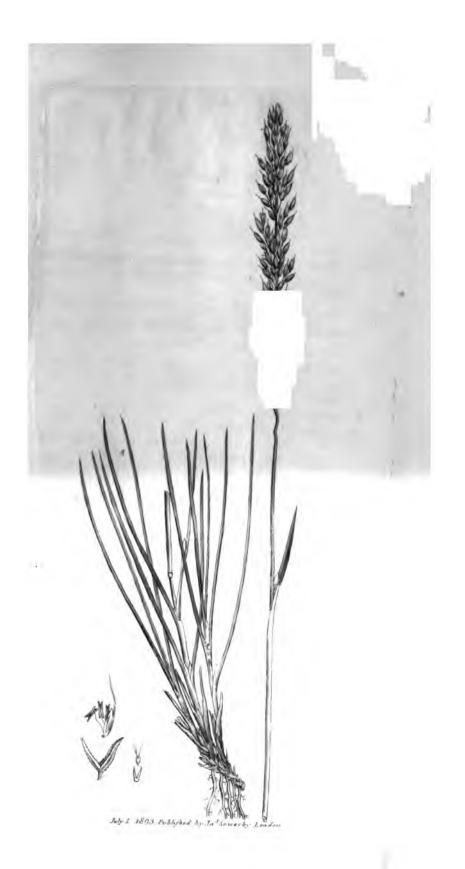
A. alpina. With. 128. Hull. 18.

A. canina, β et γ . Huds. 30, 31.

A. mutabilis. Sibth. 36?

THE first knowledge we ever had of this grass was from the late Earl of Gainsborough, who brought it from Hampshire. Mr. Curtis mentions it as very common in the south-west counties. It grows on dry barren turfy heaths, flowering in July and August, and though probably eaten by sheep, is con-







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AGROSTIS vulgaris.

Fine Bent-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 acute valves, single-flowered. Cor. of 2 unequal membranous valves. Stigmas feathery.

Spec. Char. Panicle spreading; with divaricated capillary branches. Calyx-valves equal. Inner petal obtuse, half as long as the other.

Syn. Agrostis vulgaris. With. 132. Sm. Fl. Brit. 79. Hull. 19. Relh. 27. Knapp, t. 26 and 115.

A. tenuis. Sibth. 36.

A. capillaris. Attot. 14.

A. polymorpha α . Huds. 31.

Gramen miliaceum locustis minimis, paniculâ ferè arundinacea. Raii Syn. 402.

THIS grass, common in July and August in pastures, fields, and on banks by road sides, was always taken for A. capillaris of Linnæus, till his Herbarium came amongst us. See Pl. Ic. ex. Herb. Linn. t. 54, where the true plant of that name is figured, specimens of which from Portugal I have lately received from





AGROSTIS stolonifera. Creeping Bent-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

Cal. of 2 acute valves, single-flowered. GEN. CHAR. Cor. of 2 unequal membranous valves. Stigmas feathery.

Spec. Char. Panicle close. Stem branched, creeping. Flowers crowded. Calyx-valves lanceolate, rough.

Syn. Agrostis stolonifera. Linn. Sp. Pl. 93. Sm. Fl. With. 131. Hull. 19. Relh. 27. Brit. 80. Sibth. 36. Abbot. 14. Mart. Rust. t. 120.

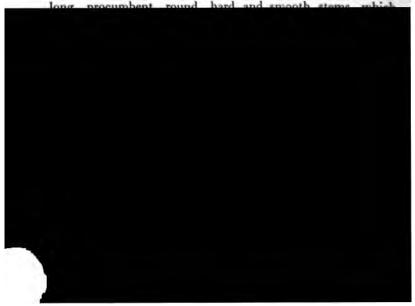
A. polymorpha δ. Huds, 31.

Gramen montanum miliaceum minus, radice repente. Raii Syn. 402?

G. caninum supinum. Ger. em. 26.

GATHERED near Liverpool by Mr. John Shepherd, in wet situations on a clay soil near the shore of the Mersey. We have chiefly seen it in maritime situations. It flowers in July.

The roots are perennial, with downy fibres, and throw out long procumbent round hard and smooth







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AGROSTIS alba.

Marsh Bent-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 acute valves, single-flowered. Cor. of 2 unequal membranous valves. Stigmas feathery.

Spec. Char. Panicle loose. Stem creeping. Calyx-valves equal, lanceolate, polished, rough at the keel.

Syn. Agrostis alba. Linn. Sp. Pl. 99. Sm. Fl. Brit. 81. With. 129. Hull. 18. Relh. 27. Sibth. 37. Abbot. 14.

A. polymorpha &, palustris. Huds. 32.

Gramen miliaceum majus, panicula spadicea, et panicula viridi. Dill. in Raii Syn. 404.

β. Agrostis sylvatica. Huds. ed. 1. 28. Linn. Sp. Pl. 1665.

Gramen miliaceum sylvestre, glumis oblongis. Dill. in Raii Syn. 404.

NOT rare in ditches and marshy fields. The flowers appear in July. The root is perennial. Stems several, spreading, prostrate, or floating, often throwing out fibres from their lower joints; leafy about their middle; naked and smooth above. They vary from 1 to 3 feet in length. Leaves rough, with smooth sheaths. Stipula obtuse, often torn. Panicle





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A I R A cristata.

Crested Hair-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of two valves, two-flowered. Corof two valves. Florets without any imperfect onbetween them.

Spec. Char. Panicle spiked. Calyx longer than it flower-stalk. Petals sharp-pointed, unequal.

SYN. Aira cristata. Linn. Sp. Pl. 94. Sm. Fl. Brit. 83 Huds. 33.

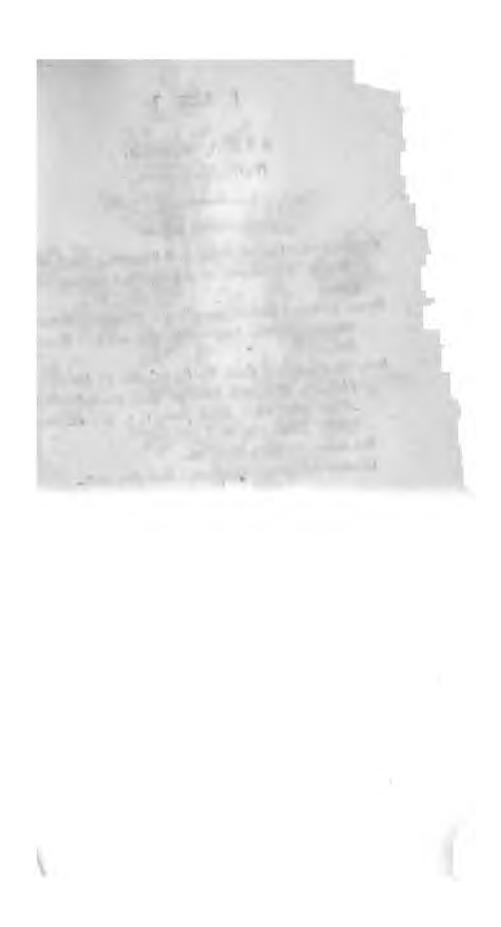
Poa cristata. With. 145. Hull. 22. Relb. 37 Sibth. 42. Abbot. 19.

Gramen pumilum hirsutum, spicâ purpureo-argentel molli. Raii Syn. 396.

N dry calcareous barren pastures, or on walls, but not very frequent, nor is it a grass generally well understood. Mr. Salt communicated it from the wild romantic rocks of Middleton-dale, Derbyshire. It is perennial, and slowers about July or August.

Root of many simple downy sibres, crowned with a thick tust of leaves. Stems simple, erect, about six inches high, smooth, purplish, most leasy below. Leaves linear, smooth, a little rigid, with a short stipula, and a long sheath which is









AIRA aquatica. Water Hair-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, 2-flowered. Cor. of 2 valves. Florets without any imperfect one between them.

Spec. Char. Panicle spreading. Flowers awnless, smooth, obtuse, longer than the calyx. Leaves flat.

Syn. Aira aquatica. Linn. Sp. Pl. 95. Sm. Fl. Brit. 84____ Huds. 33. With. 135. Hull. 20. Relh. 28. Sibth. 38. Abbot. 15. Curt. Lond. fasc. 1. t. 5. Knapp _ t. 29. Ehrh. Cal. 4.

Poa dulcis. Salisb. Prod. 20. Gramen miliaceum aquaticum. Raii Syn. 402.

FREQUENT in ditches and about the margins of ponds an

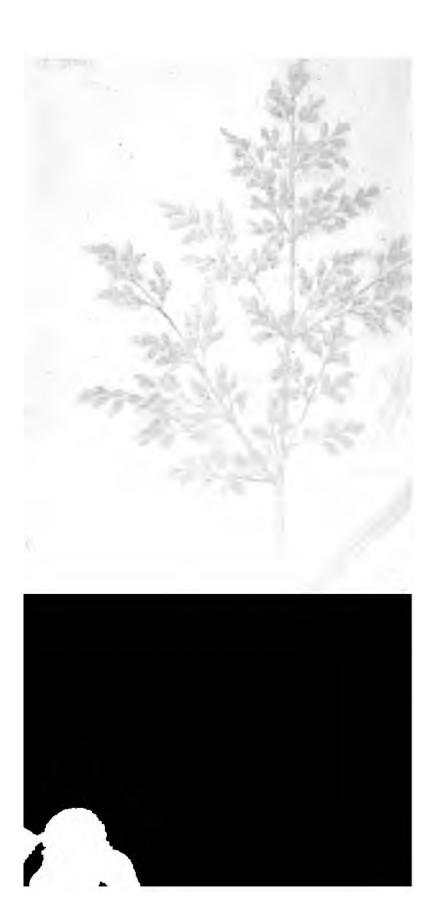
rivers, flowering in May or June.

The root is creeping, perennial, with long white shining fibres, throwing up very long, branched, leafy stems whice float upon the water, their long flaccid linear leaves bein many of them, closely applied to its surface, as in Poa fluitare t. 1520. The flowering part of the stem is erect, ending in large, spreading, smooth, purple panicle, with a stoutish ma stem, and numerous, unequal, slender, half-whorled branche Calyx-leaves unequal, purple, much dilated upwards, notched or angular, one or both furnished with 3 ribs. Florets long than the calyx, one of them on a stalk. Their glumes equal, obtuse; the outer ones 3-ribbed and somewhat plaited, smoot beardless; the inner with 2 very prominent ribs or angles. Antheræ large, deep yellow. The flowers abound with

A dwarf upright variety, not 3 inches high, was sent us

from Park-gate, Cheshire, by the Rev. T. Gisborne.







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AIRA cæspitosa.

Turfy Hair-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, 2-flowered. Cor. of 2 valves. Florets without any imperfect one between them.

SPEC. CHAR. Leaves flat. Panicle spreading. Petals awned, hairy at the base. Awn straight, short.

SYN. Aira cæspitosa. Linn. Sp. Pl. 96. Sm. Fl. Brit. 84. Huds. 34. With. 136. Hull. 20. Relh. 28. Sibth. 38. Abbot. 15. Knapp. t. 33. Gramen miliaceum segetale majus. Raii Syn. 403.

NOT unfrequent in moist shady and hilly places, where it forms large tufts, flowering in June and July. It may occasionally be found about the borders of such corn-fields as are wet and shady, but not so generally as to justify the epithet segetale, given by the old authors, and which seems to have originated in some confusion between this grass and Agrostis Spica-venti, t. 951. Mr. Knapp however informs us that on plant is so universal in all situations in Scotland as this Aira."







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AIRA lævigata. Smooth-sheathed Hair-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, 2-flowered. Covalves. Florets without any imperfect one by

Spec. Char. Leaves flat; with very smooth s Panicle close. Petals awned, hairy at the Partial stalk smooth and very short.

COMMUNICATED by Mr. George Don, who four the high mountains of Clova, in Angusshire, as we the sea-side near Dundee, and who first distinguished A. cæspitosa, t. 1453, of which Linnæus, who had t from Lapland, thought it a viviparous variety. Mr and Mr. Hooker have also noticed this grass on Ben by Loch Long, and other Highland mountains. As to Mr. Don's remark, it is not viviparous by the seais perennial, flowering in May or June.

The differences observed by Mr. Don, between the and the cæspitosa, are, that it is never above half even when cultivated; and that the sheaths and back leaves are remarkably smooth. The most essential d however we find in the rachis, or partial stalk, which one of the florets, and which is extremely short as smooth, though at the very base of the outer valve corolla there is a small tuft of hairs. In A. cæspi whole rachis is hairy, and twice or thrice as long.

It is curious to observe, in the viviparous florets, the transformation of the glumes into leaves, evinced by remaining at the top; or rather the base of the awn its in the flower before us, is become leaf, while the seems little altered. The other glume, which had no quite changed to a leaf. The organs of impregnate obliterated here, but in some cases they may possibly leaves also.





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Waved Mountain Hair-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, 2-flowered. Cor. of 2 valves. Florets without any imperfect one between them.
- Panicle spreading, three-forked; its branches wavy.

 Awns bent.
- Syn. Aira flexuosa. Linn. Sp. Pl. 96. Sm. Fl. Brit. 85.— Huds. 34. With. 136. Hull. 20. Relh. 29.— Sibth. 38. Abbot. 15.
 - Gramen paniculatum, locustis parvis, purpureo-argen—teis, majus et perenne. Raii Syn. 407.

A NATIVE of dry elevated turfy or sandy heaths in all part

of Britain, flowering in July.

The root is perennial, consisting of long fibres; and in sandy ground more especially those fibres are woolly. We have observed woolly roots to be common in grasses, whether annual or perennial, that grow in sand. Stem 12 or 18 inches high, with one knot near the base, erect, smooth, almost naked, of a brown or purplish hue. Leaves short, slender rough-edged, with a broad sheathing purplish base. Stipula short, obtuse, cloven. Panicle loose and spreading, three-forked, rough, remarkable for its shining brown colour, and still more for its crisped or wavy branches. The flowers stand upright on straight alternate stalks. Glumes shining, variegated with brown, green, and a silvery white, all nearly equal in length, jagged at the point. Florets 2, hairy at the base one of them a little elevated. Awns from the back of the corolla, bent and twisted when dry, rising a little above each floret.

We are almost persuaded, by the remarks of our frience. Mr. Knapp, that the two varieties mentioned in Fl. Brit. may form a distinct species, which Hudson first described by the name of setacea.





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AIRA canescens.

Grey Hair-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, 2-flowered. Cor. of 2 valves. Florets without any imperfect one between them.

Spec. Char. Leaves slender and tapering. Stem leafy.

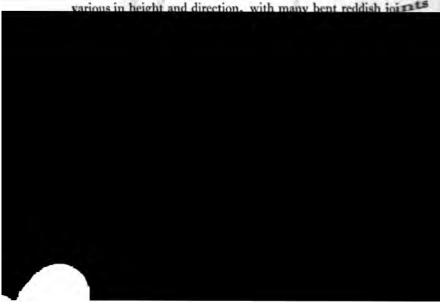
Panicle dense. Awns swelling upwards, scarcely longer than the calyx.

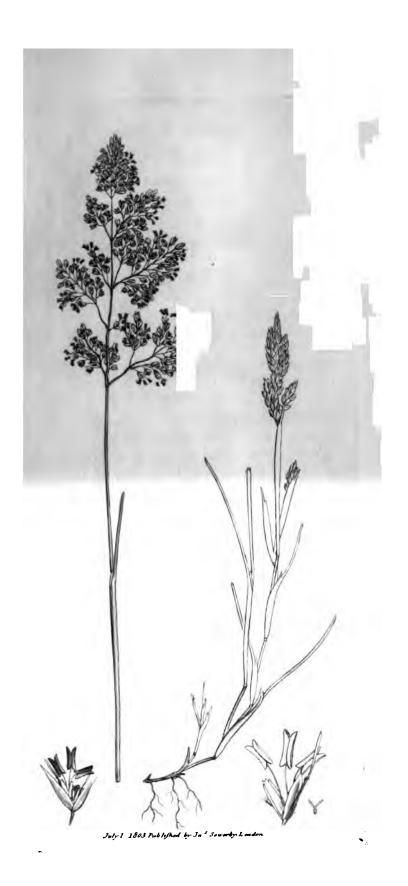
Syn. Aira canescens. Linn. Sp. Pl. 97. Sm. Fl. Brit. 86. Huds. 36. With. 137. t. 24. Hull. 20. Dicks. Dr. Pl. 4.

Gramen miliaceum maritimum molle. Dill. in Raii Syn. 405.

A NATIVE of sandy pastures near the sea, but we know not that it has been found on any other than the eastern coasts. On Yarmouth Denes it abounds, as well as in similar stations on the opposite Dutch shore. It flowers in July and August, and is perennial.

The roots consist of long capillary fibres, and produce thick tufts of upright, stiff, bristle-shaped, glaucous leaves, often tinged with a purplish hue, evidently rough when examined with a microscope. Among these spring up several stems,







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A I R A præcox. Early Hair-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, 2-flowered. Cor. of valves. Florets without any imperfect one betweenthem.
- Spec. Char. Leaves slender and tapering, with angular sheaths. Panicle spike-shaped. Florets sessile, near anaked at their base, awned at the back.
- SYN. Aira præcox. Linn. Sp. Pl. 97. Sm. F. Brit. 87. Huds. 36. With. 137. Hull. 20. Relh. 29. Sibth. 39. Abbot. 15. Curt. Londfasc. 3. t. 7. Dicks. H. Sicc. fasc. 4. 4.
 - Gramen parvum præcox, paniculà laxà canescente. Raii Syn. 407. t. 22. f. 2.

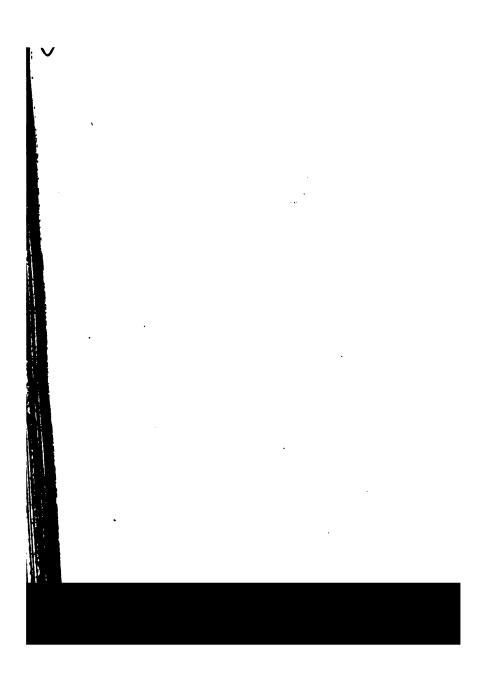
COMMON on dry gravelly ground in the spring, flowering in May or early in June, and soon after withering away.

Root fibrous, annual. Stems several, 2 or 3 inches high, straight, leafy, very smooth. Leaves bristle-shaped; the radical ones short, and soon fading; the rest furnished with long, angular, ribbed, smooth, more or less inflated, sheaths. Stipula blunt. Panicle small, erect, dense, but little subdivided. Flowers upright, shining, prettily variegated with green and white. Calyx of 2 equal glumes, rough at





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A I R A caryophyllea. Silver Hair-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digyma.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, 2-flowered. Cor. 2 valves. Florets without any imperfect one between them.

Spec. Char. Leaves slender and tapering. Branch of the panicle ternate, spreading. Florets session—

Awn from the back of the corolla, twisted.

SYN. Aira caryophyllea. Linn. Sp. Pl. 97. Sm. FZ-Brit. 88. Huds. 36. With. 138. Hull..2 -Relb. 32. Sibth. 39. Abbot. 16. Curt. Long. fasc. 6t. 6. Dicks. H. Sicc. fasc. 4. 5.

Gramen paniculatum, locustis parvis purpuro-arge teis, annuum, Raii Syn. 407.

THIS pretty grafs, with its elegant filvery panicles, frequently ornaments the most barren sandy or gravelly fields about June or early in July, after which it foon dried up, the root being annual and very small, little calculated to resist drought.

From one root arise several spreading stender stems about span high, smooth and leasy. The radical leaves soon wither those on the stem are narrow and tapering, with long sheather and lanceolate longish stipulæ. Panicle very stender and hair



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HOLCUS mollis.

Creeping Soft-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, 2-flowered; one of the flowers with an imperfect germen. Cor. of 2 valves; the outer one awned.

SPEC. CHAR. Calyx-glumes nearly equal, partly naked.

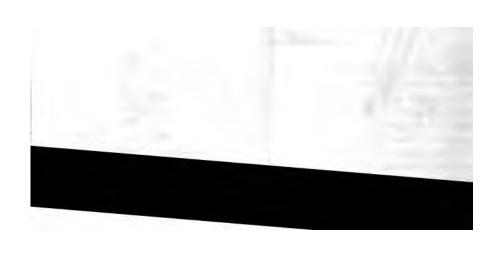
Hermaphrodite floret lowest and beardless: males with a sharply bent awn. Root creeping.

SYN. Holcus mollis. Linn. Sp. Pl. 1485. Sm. Fl. Brit. 89. Huds. 440. With. 135. Hull. 225.
 Relh. 30. Sibth. 40. Abbot. 217. Curt. Lond. Sc. 5. t. 8. Dicks. H. Sicc. fasc. 9. 17.

Gramen miliaceum aristatum molle. Raii Syn. 404

THIS Holcus is much less frequent than the preceding, and grows in a different kind of situation, preferring shady copses and hedges. It flowers in July and is perennial, the widely creeping root indeed being very difficult of extirpation, and affording one of the most evident marks to distinguish it from the language. To which may be added that the mollis is com-





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HOLCUS avenaceus.

Oat-like Soft-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- the flowers with an imperfect germen. Cor. o
- Spec. Char. Calyx-glumes unequal, fmooth. Her maphrodite floret a little elevated, scarcely awned male with a bent awn. Root knotty.
- Syn. Holcus avenaceus. Sm. Fl. Brit. 90. Sibtb. 4.

 Avena elatior. Linn. Sp. Pl. 117. Hudf. 5.

 With. 163. Hull. 26. Relb. 48. Abbot. 2.

 Curt. Lond. fasc. 3. t. 6. Mart. Fl. Rust. t. 7.

 Gramen nodosum, avenaceâ paniculâ. Raii Syn. 40.

FREQUENT in bushy places, hedges, and by road-fide-

The root is perennial, formed generally of two knots fwoln joints, one above another, throwing out downy fibrestem upright, 3 feet high, straight, unbranched, leafy, smooth confissing of about 3 joints. Leaves of a darkish greet spreading, flat, rough and rather harsh. Stipula short, abrup





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Wood Melic-grafs.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, with about 2 flowers, and the rudiment of another between them. Cor. of 2 valves.

Spec. Char. Petals beardless. Panicle drooping toward one side, branched. Flowers erect. Calyx containing only one perfect floret.

SYN. Melica uniflora. Sm. Fl. Brit. 91. With. 139. Hull. 21. Relb. Suppl. 1. 8. Sibth. 40. Abbot. 16. Curt. Land. fasc. 5. t. 10. Dicks. H. Sicc. fasc. 8. 6. Mart. Rust. t. 64.

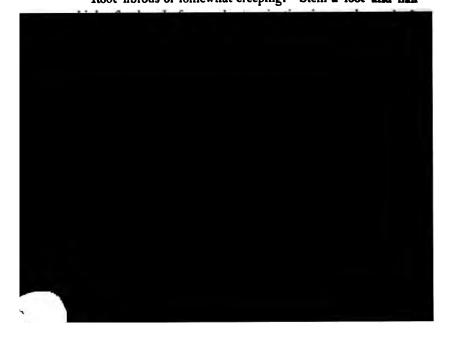
M. nutans, Hudf. 37.

M. Lobelii. Villars. Dauph. v. 1. 89. t. 3.

Gramen avenaceum nemorense, glumis rarioribus ex susce xerampelinis. Raii Syn. 403.

NOT uncommon in groves and thickets, where its red bloffoms, suspended by capillary and almost invisible stalks, feem like insects dancing in the air. It slowers in May or early in June, and is perennial.

Root fibrous or fomewhat creeping. Stem a foot and half





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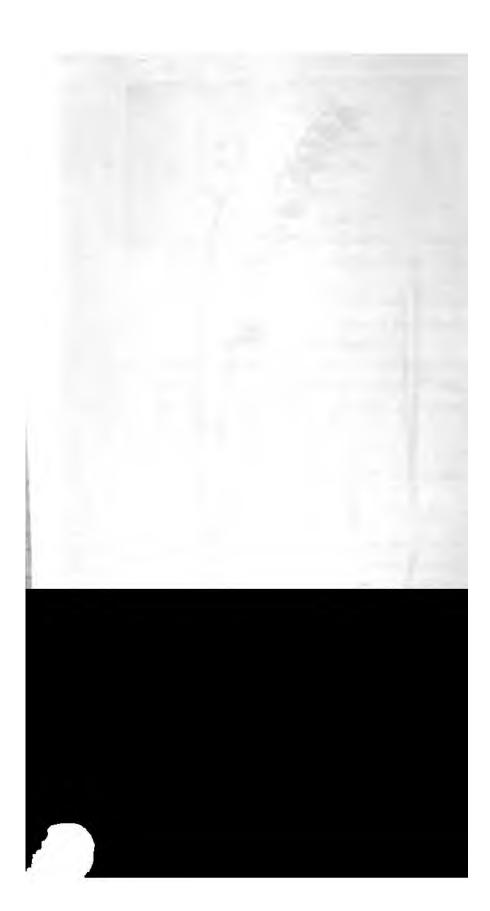
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MELICA cærulea,

Purple Melic-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

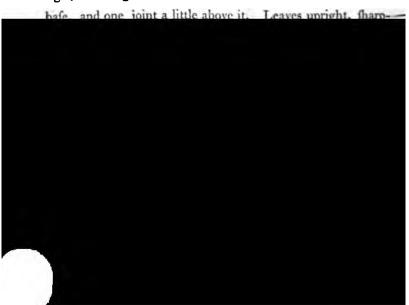
- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, with about 2 flowers, and the rudiment of another between them. Cor. of 2 valves.
- SPEC. CHAR. Petals acute, beardless. Panicle dense. Flowers erect, cylindrical.
- SYN. Melica cærulea. Linn. Mant. 2. 325. Sm. Fl. _ Brit. 93. With. 139. Hull. 21. Relb. 32. Sibth. _ 39. Abbot. 16. Curt. Lond. fasc. 5. t. 11.

Aira cærulea. Linn. Sp. Pl. 95. Huds. 33.

Gramen pratense serotinum, panicula longa purpurascente, Raii Syn. 404.

REQUENT in the most barren sandy boggy places, especially about pools upon mountainous heaths, flowering in August, and varying in height from 6 to 18 inches, according to the nourishment it meets with.

Root perennial, of many strong fibres. Whole herb harsh, rigid, rather glaucous. Stems with a fort of bulb at their





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SESLERIA cærulea.

Blue Moor-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing about 3 florets.

Cor. of 2 valves; the inner cloven; the outer

(mostly) with 3 teeth. Styles united at their base.

Spec. Char. Spike ovate-oblong, imbricated. Bractess

alternate. Outer petals with three teeth.

Syn. Sesleria cærulea. Scop. Carn. ed. 2. v. 1. 63. Sm. Fl. Brit. 94. With. 140. Hull. 21. Knapp. t. 43.

Cynosurus cæruleus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 106. Huds. 59.

Dicks. H. Sicc. fasc. 6. 3. Mart. Rust. t. 20.

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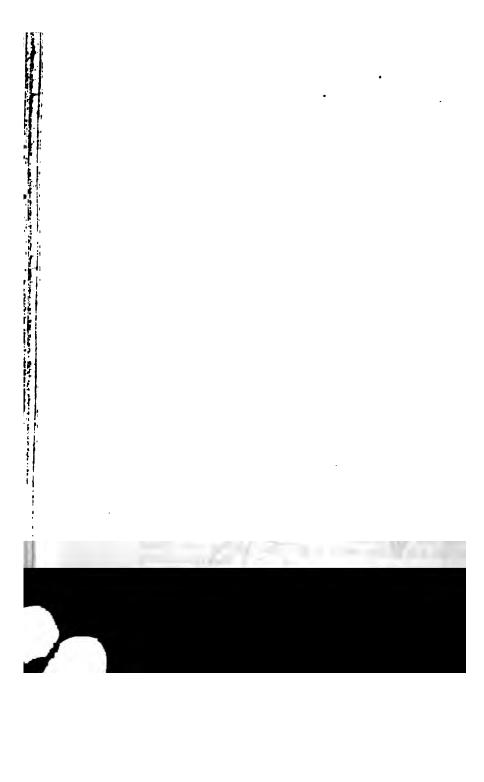
Gramen parvum montanum, spicâ crassiore purpurocæruleâ brevi. Raii Syn. 399.

THIS rare mountain grass grows chiefly in the clefts of calcareous rocks in elevated situations, flowering in the early part of summer. We have received it from different parts of Westmoreland, in which neighbourhood it more frequently occurs than in any other in England, though Mr. Knapp mentions it as common on the Scottish alps. The spike varies in colour, but some of our native ones are as blue as any from abroad

The root is perennial, tufted, very long. Stem about a span high, simple, without joints, smooth, naked except at the base. Leaves linear, obtuse, recurved, keeled, roughedged: their sheaths short, tubular, compressed, with a very minute stipula. Spike terminal, solitary, of a shining grey or blue, with solitary, jagged, membranous bracteas at the base of some of the lowermost spikelets. Spikelets mostly in pairs, 2- or 3-flowered. Calyx-valves nearly equal, with short awns. Petals ribbed; the outer with 3 teeth, the middlemost slightly awned; inner with 2 teeth; all the middlemost slightly awned; inner with 2 teeth; all the ribbed are fringed. Stigmas threadshaped, rough. Styles joined at their lower part.

Dr. Sibthorp found near Constantinople a new species nearly akin to this, but with a white spike, and the outpetals undivided.





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POA aquatica. Reed Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many flore Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ovate, pointed, beardless valves.

Spec. Char. Panicle upright, branched, loose. Spilese lets linear, of about six florets, which are obtused and seven-ribbed.

Syn. Poa aquatica. Linn. Sp. Pl. 98. Sm. Fl. Brit. 5.

Huds. 38. With. 140. Hull. 21. Relh. 32. Sibth. 4.

Abbot. 17. Curt. Lond. fasc. 5. t. 12.

Gramen aquaticum majus. Raii Syn. 411.

VERY common in ditches and about the margins of classifiers and pools, flowering in July.

Root perennial, creeping, white. Stems several, uprig th, often 6 feet high, leafy, a little compressed, smooth, striated, their lower joints throwing out whorled roots. Leaves swordshaped, broad, flat and straight, rough on the edges and keet, with a very short blunt stipula. Panicle large and much branched, upright, but the branches spread loosely in every direction, being alternately half whorled. They are slender,





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POA fluitans.

Floating Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ovate, pointed, beardless valves.
- Spec. Char. Panicle branched, spreading. Spikelets close-pressed; cylindrical, many-flowered. Florets obtuse, with seven ribs and intermediate ones at the base.
- Syn. Poa fluitans. Scop. Carn. v. 1. 73. Salisb. Prod. 21. Sm. Fl. Brit. 96. Relh. 32.
 - Festuca fluitans. Linn. Sp. Pl. 111. Huds. 46. With. 156. Hull. 24. Sibth. 45. Abbot. 21. Curt. Lond. fasc. 1. t. 7. Mart. Rust. t. 113.
 - Gramen aquaticum cum longissimâ paniculâ. Raii Syn. 412.

FREQUENT in stagnant waters, or about the margins of

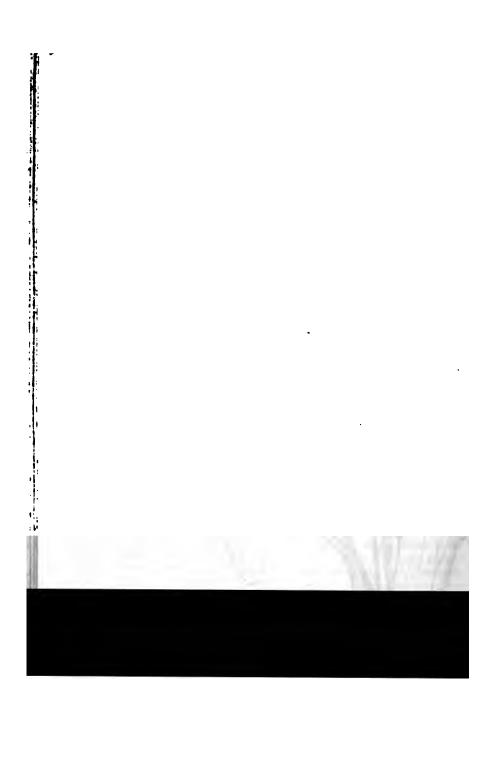
slow streams, flowering throughout the summer.

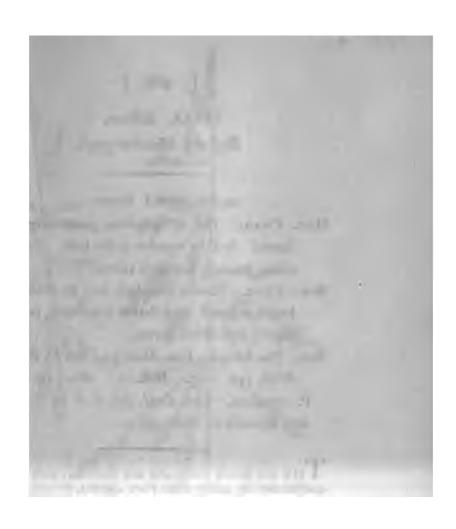
Root long and creeping, throwing out many fibres at the joints, its upper part floating in the water. Stems solitary from each joint, ascending, round, striated, leafy, smooth, hollow and tender. Leaves flat, broad, obtuse, smooth; the lower ones floating; all with long, compressed, smooth sheaths. Stipulæ short, pointed, often torn. Panicle nearly upright, smooth, pale, with alternate, more or less spreading, branches. Spikelets alternate, nearly sessile, close-pressed to the branches, linear, cylindrical, with from 8 to 12 florets. Calyx unequal, membranous, obtuse, with a green keel, and no ribs nor furrows. Florets loosely spiked, somewhat cylindrical, obtuse, roughish under a high magnifier, 7-ribbed, with short intermediate ribs at the bottom, their summit membranous, white, and mostly toothed: inner valves notched. Antheræ short and round.

The seeds are said to be collected for food in Holland, and

called Manna Seeds .- See Curtis.







POA distans.

Reflexed Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ovate, pointed, beardless valves.

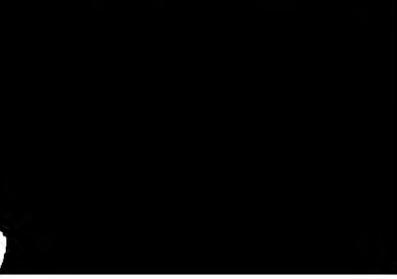
SPEC. CHAR. Panicle branched, lax; its branches at length reflexed. Spikelets of five obtuse, polished, slightly five-ribbed florets.

SYN. Poa distans. Linn. Mant. 32. Sm. Fl. Brit. 97.
IVitb. 141. t. 25. Hull. 21. Abbot. 19.
P. retroflexa. Curt. Lond. fasc. 6. t. 10.
Aira aquatica β. Huds. 34.

THE first British writer who well knew this grass was unquestionably the author of the Flora Anglica, though he erred with Linnæus in making it a variety of the very different Airs aquatica. Mr. Curtis, by means of a good figure and description, has now cleared it from all obscurity. It is perennial, slowering in July and August, and may be found in most fandy waste places towards the coast (not absolutely on the beach) and even by the road up Hampstead hill.









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POA maritima.

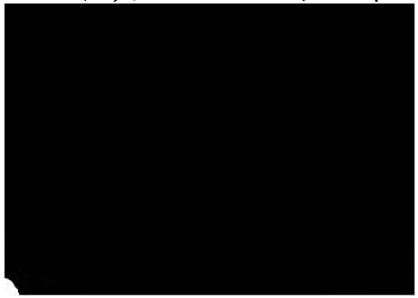
Creeping Sea Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ovate, pointed, beardless valves.
- SPEC. CHAR. Panicle branched, rather close. Spikelets of five bluntish, cylindrical, slightly five-ribbed florets. Root creeping.
- SYN. Poa maritima. Huds. 42. Sm. Fl. Brit. 97. With. 147. Hull. 22. Lights. 98. Relb. 32. Dicks. H. Sicc. sasc. 11. 2.
 - Gramen paniculatum maritimum vulgatissimum. Raii Syn. 409.

GATHERED by Mr. Groult at Southampton, September 15 last. It is not unfrequent in marshy places on the seacoast, slowering from July to October, and is perennial.

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v. 14. t. 986, which is moreover less strictly a maritime plant.





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P O A procumbens.

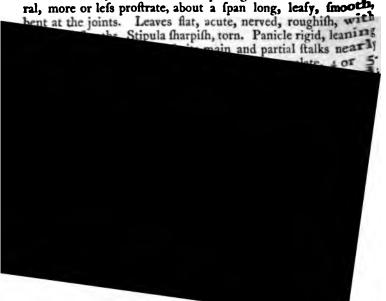
Procumbent Sea Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many flore Spikelet inclining to byate; glumes ovate, point beardless.
- SPEC. CHAR. Panicle lanceolate, pointing one w condensed, rough; its common stalk round; spil lets about five-flowered; florets bluntish, ribbe
- SYN. Poa procumbens. Curt. Lond. fasc. 6. t. 11____ P. rupestris. With. 146. t. 26.

MR. CURTIS first discovered this Poa, at the foot of Sc Vincent's rocks near Bristol, and has figured it from on 🗢 of his garden specimens. Sir Thomas Frankland, Bart. to whom we are obliged for this wild one, has found the same grafe plentifully on waste ground, which is frequently overflowed, near the floating dock in that neighbourhood, and also on the pier at Scarborough, within the spray of the sea. It flowers in July and August.

Root annual, fibrous. Whole plant glaucous. Stems feet







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POA rigida. Hard Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

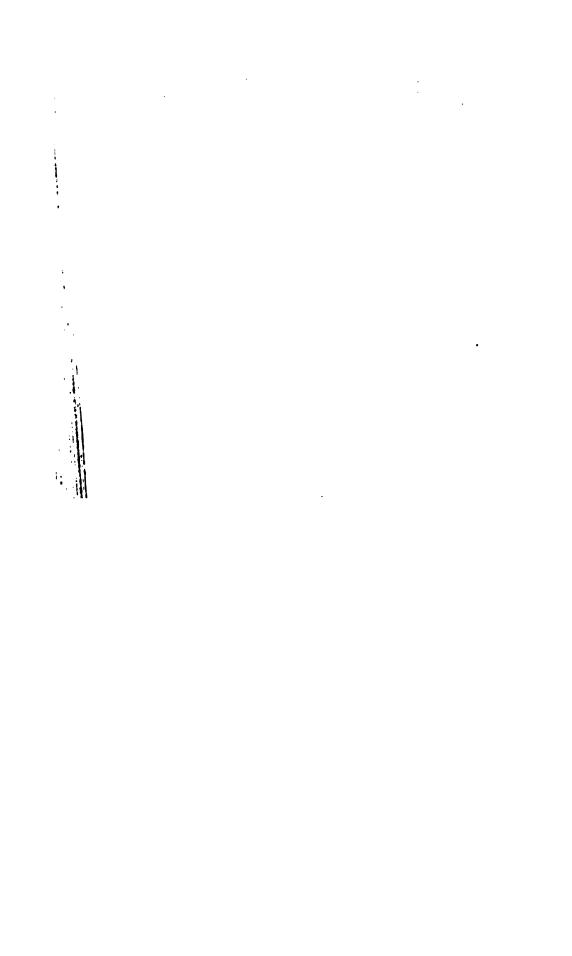
- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ovate, pointed, beardless valves.
- Spec. Char. Panicle lanceolate, two-ranked, dense, smooth, leaning one way; its common stalk bordered. Spikelets of about seven flowers. Florets cylindrical, without ribs.
- Syn. Poa rigida. Linn. Sp. Pl. 101. Sm. Fl. Brit. 99. Huds. 42. With. 146. Hull. 22. Relh. 33. Sibth. 42. Abbot. 18. Curt. Lond. fasc. 2. t. 4. Knapp. t. 48.
 - Gramen exile duriusculum in muris et aridis proveniens. Raii Syn. 410.

NOT unfrequent on walls and in dry gravelly places, where it flowers in June, and soon after becomes entirely dry and bleached. It may be known readily by the extreme rigidity of its stems and panicle, which feel at all times as if made of





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POA compressa.

Creeping Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spikelet ovate; glumes ovate, pointed.

Spec. Char. Panicle condensed; its branches leaning one way, erect before and after flowering. Stem

ascending, compressed.

Syn. Poa compressa. Linn. Sp. Pl. 101. Huds. Fl. An. 41. With. Bot. Arr. 89. Relh. Cant. 36. Sibth. Ox. 42. Dichs. H. Sicc. fasc. 6. 1.

Gramen pratense paniculatum medium. Raii Syn. 409.

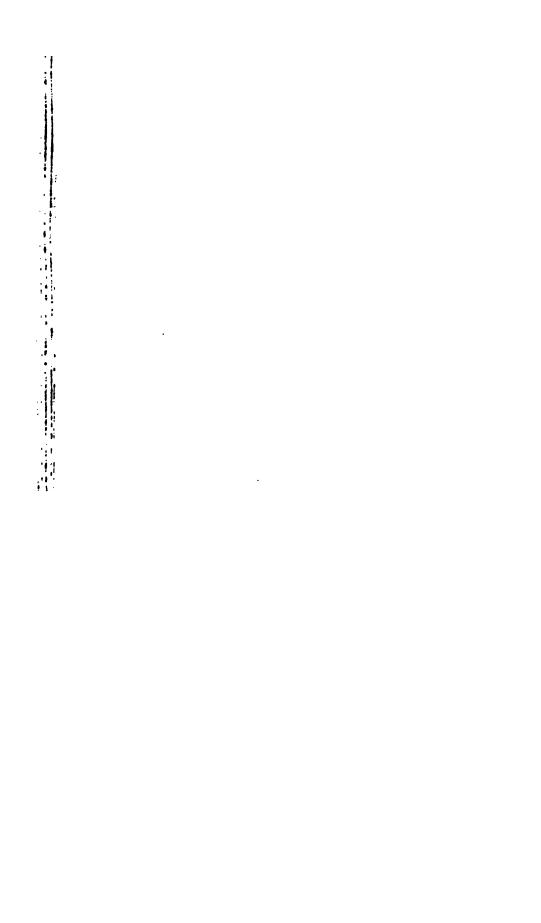
FREQUENT on the tops of walls that are a little covered with earth, and in other very dry places, where it may be found in flower from June to September, and may be easily distinguished by its compressed stem.

The roots are perennial, creeping, consisting of downy fibres, thrown out from the lowest part of the stem, which is decumbent. The straw rises obliquely, the first joints being geniculated, the uppermost very long and erect. Leaves narrow, with a long sheath, and short obtuse stipula, of a glaucous green. Panicle of the same hue, upright, the common stem contracting very suddenly where the first branches come off. All the branches are in the beginning close and erect, acutely angular and rough, a little zigzag: as they flower they spread considerably, but immediately after the discharge of the pollex they become again close-pressed to the main branch, so that the upper part of the panicle looks as if it expanded first. By this mark the grass may be known at a distance. The glumeshave a silvery edge, and purplish tip; they vary from 3 to 8 on 9 in each calyx.

This grass can scarcely be put to any agricultural use, though all cattle eat it; it does not thrive in moist or manured ground and there are many better for dry situations.









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POA alpina.

Alpine Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ovate, pointed, beardless valves.

SPEC. CHAR. Panicle loose. Spikelets heartshaped, of about four flowers. Glumes ovate, rather fickleshaped, not connected by a web. Lower flipulæ very short.

SYN. Poa alpina. Linn. Sp. Pl. 99. Sm. Fl. Brit. 100. _ . Lightf. 96.

OUR specimens of this truly alpine grass were gathered on mountains to the north of Forsar, by Mr. G. Donn and Mr. J. Mackay. It is perennial, flowering in July or August.

The since of the root are long, slender and smooth. Stems

The fibres of the root are long, slender and smooth. Stems from 4 to 12 inches high, a little decumbent and rooting at their base; leasy and sometimes branched below; naked, smooth and shining, often purplish, above. Radical leaves many, spreading, flat, ribbed; a little glaucous beneath; rough at the margin; bluntish, yet tipped with a short point: stem-leaves about two, short, with very long smooth sheaths. Lower shipulæ short and blunt; upper lanceolate, often torn or di-







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POA flexuosa. Zigzag Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digenia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ovate, pointed, beardless valves.

Spec. Char. Panicle zigzag. Spikelets of three flowers. Glumes ovate, connected by a web. Stipulæ all lanceolate.

Syn. Poa flexuosa. Sm. Fl. Brit. 101.

THE Scottish mountain of Ben Nevis, amongst a profusion of botanical rarities, has afforded us this new species of Poon discovered there by the late Mr. John Mackay, a young man who sacrificed his repose, and finally his health and life, to the too ardent pursuit of botany and horticulture. His discriminating powers and readiness of communication will long live and the memory of those who knew him. We would never neglect the opportunity of twining a modest garland for the brows of such benefactors to science, even though it were only of grass or modes.

This Poa, we believe, has never been mentioned except in the Flora Britannica. It is perennial, growing in small tusts, and flowering in July. The colour of the herbage is a light, rather





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POA bulbosa.

Bulbous Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ovate, pointed, beardless valves.

SPEC. CHAR. Panicle slightly zigzag. Spikelets of four flowers. Glumes connected by a web. Leaves finely ferrated. Stein bulbous at the base.

Syn. Poa bulboia. Lim. Sp. Pl. 102 α and γ. Sm. Fl. Brit. 102. Hudf. 41. With. 142. Hull. 21.

Gramen vernum, radice Ascalonitidis. Vaill. Par. t. 17. f. 8.

WHEN the Flora Britannica was in the press this grass was so little known I sound myself obliged to adopt it on the authority of Hudson, describing it from the Linnsean specimen. Fortunately before the publication of that work Mr. Stone stavoured me with a native plant of P. bulbosa from Yarmouth Denes, and I was enabled to mention it in the presact. Mr. Turner sent the present specimen from thence, and I have observed great plenty of the same at Lowestost. Mr. W. Borrer has found it at Little Hampton, Sussex.

This grafs is peculiarly fitted to inhabit dry fandy ground. Its bulbs grow in clufters, refembling little onions, and dur-







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POA cæsia.

Sea-green Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ovate, pointed, beardless valves.

SPEC. CHAR. Panicle spreading. Spikelets ovate, five-flowered. Glumes lanceolate, silky-edged, unconnected by any web. Stipula very short and blunt. Syn. Poa cæsia. Sm. Fl. Brit, 103.

MY first knowledge of this plant was derived from specimens sent from Scotland to Mr. Fairbairn of Chelsea garden, and I have been obliged to have recourse to that collection for what appears in the annexed plate, having never seen a wild specimen. The late Mr. J. Mackay sent me others from his own garden, the roots of which he had brought from Ben Lawers and other Highland mountains.

This is a perennial grass, flowering in June and July, and remarkable for its glaucous hue. The spikelets are prettily varied with purple, white, green, and a silvery gloss, occasioned by a range of satin-like hairs near the edges of the outer glumes, as well as on the keel. It is one of those Perennial grass, flowering in June and July, and remarkable for its glaucous hue.





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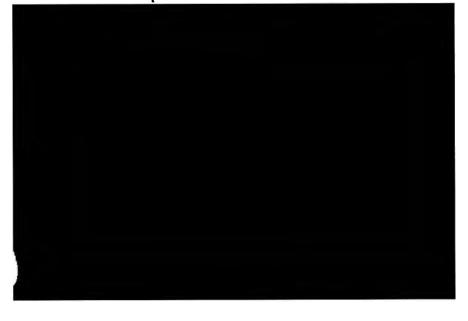
POA trivialis. Roughish Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many flore s. Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ova pointed, beardless valves.
- Spec. Char. Panicle spreading. Spikelets of threflowers. Glumes lanceolate, five-nerved, concerted by a web. Stipula elongated.
- SYN. Poa trivialis. Linn. Sp. Pl. 99. Sm. Fl. B-I.
 103. Hudf. 39. With. 143. Hull. 22. Relb. 3.
 Sibth. 41. Abbot. 17. Curt. Lond. fasc. 2. t.
 Gramen pratense paniculatum medium. Raii Syn. 4.

IF in a general botanical work like this we cannot always charm the eye with splendid objects, the elucidation of curious or useful truths will surely not be less acceptable. The grasses figured in this plate and the following are among most common, but the most useful; and though they did in essential properties, botanists have scarcely, till lately, known how to distinguish them.

P. tricialis grows every where in meadows and pastured preferring such as are moist, and flowering from June to September. Its perennial sibrous root forms tusts. The steams







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POA pratenfis. Smooth-fialked Meadow-grafs.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ovate, pointed, beardless valves.

Spec. Char. Panicle spreading. Spikelets of sour flowers. Glumes lanceolate, sive-nerved, connected by a web. Stipula short and blunt.

Syn. Poa pratenfis. Linn. Sp. Pl. 99. Sm. Fl. Brit. 104. Huds. 39. With. 141. Hull. 21. Relb. 34. Sibtb. 41. Abbot. 18. Curt. Lond. fasc. 2. t. 5. Dicks. H. Sicc. fasc. 14. 3.

Gramen pratense paniculatum majus, latiore folio. . Raii Syn. 409.

THIS Poa agrees much with the preceding in habit and general appearance, grows no less frequently in almost every situation, and is as valuable to the husbandman. It flowers rather earlier, comes sooner into leas, and will grow in much drier places than P. trivialis; but, according to Mr. Curtis's observations, the latter produces a better crop as the season advances.







POA subcærulea. Blueish Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ovate, pointed, beardless valves.

SPEC. CHAR. Panicle loose. Spikelets heartshaped, of about three flowers. Glumes ovate, acute, connected by a web. Stipulæ all short and blunt.

Syn. Poa pratensis β , alpina. Huds. 39. P. glauca. With. 148.

GATHERED in Anglesea by the Rev. H. Davies, slowering in June. That this is the *P. alpina* of Hudson, as well as the glauca of Withering, we think unquestionable. The original glauca of Fl. Dan. is notwithstanding widely different, and we have therefore given ours a new name, expressive of its blueish appearance. Hudson found this grass on the mountains of Westmoreland and Cumberland, and his opinion in reducing it to a variety of *P. pratensis* is less strikingly erroneous than if his plant had been (as is commonly supposed) the Linnæan alpina, which no good botanist could confound with pratensis.

P. fubcærulea has a creeping perennial root, with muchbranched, zigzag, downy fibres, agreeing with those of prater.

Whole plant glaucous, with tints of purple. Stem 6 to



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POA annua.

Annual Meadow-grafs.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ovate, pointed, beardless valves.

Spec. Char. Panicle divaricated. Spikelets ovate.

Florets a little remote, five-ribbed, defitute of a

web. Stem oblique, compressed.

SYN. Poa annua. Linn. Sp. Pl. 99. Sm. Fl. Brit. 105. Hudf. 42. With. 143. Hull. 22. Relb. 34. Sibth. 42. Abbot. 18. Curt. Lond. fafc. 1. t. 6. Mart. Ruft. t. 98. Stillingfl. t. 7.

Gramen pratense minus, seu vulgatissimum. Raii

Syn. 408.

EVERY where in meadows and pastures, and flowering almost throughout the year when the weather is mild. The root is strictly annual, though the stems throw out sibres from their lower parts, and seem to creep. Herbage bright green, not glaucous. Stems several, obliquely spreading, compressed, leasy, smooth. Leaves linear, slaccid, bluntish, smooth, with a little roughness at the edges, slat, except a waved or crumpled appearance here and there, very characteristic of the species, though not absolutely peculiar to it. Sheaths long, compressed, sincoth, crowned by a sharp stipula. Panicle





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POA glauca. Slender Glaucous Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ovate, pointed, beardless valves.

SPEC. CHAR. Panicle glaucous, slender, erect. Spikelets ovate, of about three flowers. Glumes bluntish, silky-edged, unconnected by any web. Stipula very short.

Syn. Poa glauca. Fl. Dan. t. 964. With. 148. Sm. Fl. Brit. 1388. Hull. 23.

P. cæsia. Knapp. t. 56.

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P. n. 1468. Hall. Hist. v. 2. 224. Lachenal.

Gramen paniculatum angustifolium montanum, paniculâ densă, locustis parvis muticis. Scheuchz. Agr. 180.

THE Poa glauca of Withering has been communicated to me by Mr. Griffith, the original authority for it in Britain, who found it on Snowdon, and I have no doubt of the correctness







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POA nemoralis.

Wood Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ovate, pointed, beardless valves.
- Spec. Char. Panicle and leaves slender. Spikelets lanceolate, of about three flowers. Glumes acute, obsoletely five-ribbed. Stipula very short, notched.
- SYN. Poa nemoralis. Linn. Sp. Pl. 102. Sm. Fl. Brit. 106. With. 146. Hull. 22. Relh. 34. Sibth. 43. Abbot. 19.
 - P. angustifolia β . Huds. 41.
- β. P. angustifolia α. Huds. 40.
 - P. pratensis, var. 2. With. 142. Hull. 21.

IN the north of England scarcely any wood or grove can be found in which this grass does not compose the tall thin herbage under the trees, in which situations it thrives well. In the south it is less frequent, but abounds in Charlton wood, and







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POA decumbens.

Decumbent Meadow-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spikelet rounded at the base. Cor. of 2 ovate, pointed, beardless valves.

SPEC. CHAR. Panicle generally simple, condensed, erect. Spikelets ovate, four-flowered, the length of the calyx. Stipulæ formed of little hairs.

SYN. Poa decumbens. With. 147. Sm. Fl. Brit. 107. Hull, 23.

Festuca decumbens. Linn. Sp. Pl. 110. Huds. 47. Relb. 43. Sibtb. 46. Abbot. 22. Dicks. H. Sicc. fasc. 11. 3.

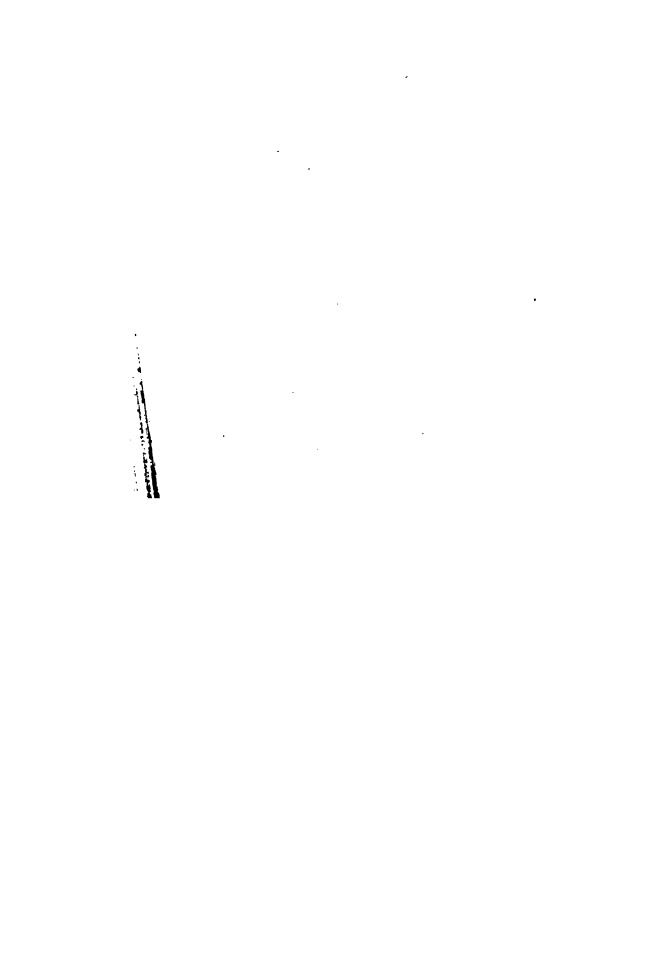
Gramen avenaceum parvum procumbens, paniculis non aristatis. Raii Syn. 408.

SPONGY bogs on barren fandy or mountainous ground produce this grafs frequently. It flowers in July and is perennial.

The whole plant is remarkably harsh and rigid, lying close to the ground, except when in flower. The roots creep, though to no great extent. The stem is about a foot long, jointed and bent, smooth, leafy. Leaves linear, straight, horizontal, rather glaucous. Their long sheaths closely invest the stem and are hairy (particularly upwards) and striated. The stipula which









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BRIZA minor.

Small Quaking-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing many florets. Spihelet 2-ranked. Cor. of 2 heart-shaped, obtuse valves. Seed depressed, attached to the corolla.

Spec. Char. Spikelets triangular, of seven florets, which are shorter than the calyx. Stipula lanceolate, very long.

Syn. Briza minor. Linn. Sp. Pl. 102. Sm. Fl. Brit. 108. Huds. 38. With. 148. Hull. 23. Dicks. H. Sicc. fasc. 5. 3.

Gramen tremulum minus, panicula ampla, locustis parvis triangulis. Raii Syn. 412.

OUR wild specimen represented in the plate was sent from Pensance by favour of Mr. Penneck.

This is one of our rarest grasses, found only in fields near the south-west extremity of Britain and in Guernsey. In the south of Europe it occurs frequently, and is annual, flowering in July.

Root of several small downy fibres. Stem one or more, 10 or 12 inches high, leafy, round and smooth. Whole plant of a light green. Leaves lanceolate, erect, rough-edged, with very long, somewhat inflated, sheaths. Stipula membranous and thin, remarkably long, acute, decurrent. Panicle elegantly





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BRIZA media.

Common Quaking-Grass, or Cow-Quakes.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, with many flowers; the little spike two-ranked, its valves heart-shaped, obtuse, the innermost smaller.

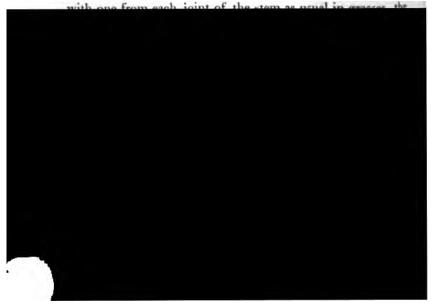
SPEC. CHAR. Little spikes ovate. Calyx shorter than the florets, which are about seven in number.

Syn. Briza media. Linn. Sp. Pl. 103. Huds. Fl. An. 38. With. Bot. Arr. 92. Relh. Cant. 38. Sibth. Ox. 43. Mart. Fl. Rust. t. 39. Dicks. H. Sicc. fasc. 5. 2.

Gramen tremulum. Raii Syn. 412.

VERY common in pastures, where, as Professor Martyn observes, it is made into hay with other grasses, but never cultivated alone for any particular purpose. The roots are perennal, and the flowers appear in May.

Root fibrous. Straw upright, from 6 to 18 inches, most commonly about a foot, in height, round, very smooth, with one or two joints near the bottom. Leaves mostly at the root,





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DACTYLIS stricta.

Smooth Cock's-foot Grafs.

TRIANDRIA Digyaia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, compressed; one valve larger and carinated.
- Spec. Char. Spikes 2 or 3, erect, smooth; flowers leaning one way, downy.
- SYN. Dactylis stricta. Solander in Ait. Hort. Kew. v. 1. 104.
 - D. cynofuroides. Hudf. Fl. An. 43. With. Bet. Arr. 93.
 - Spartum essexianum, spica gemina clausa. Raii Syn. 393.

FOUND, though rarely, in muddy falt-marshes and about the mouths of rivers on the east side of this kingdom. Our specimens were gathered by T. Woodward and D. E. Davy, Esqrs. between Aldborough and the river's mouth, in August last.

Root perennial, very strong. The whole herb is exceedingly hard and rigid, from 10 to 20 inches high, erect; the straws clothed to the top with alternate, sheathing, striated, pointed leaves, of a dull green, with short jagged stipulæ. Spikes terminal, generally 2, perfectly erect, close pressed together and







DACTYLIS glomerata.

Rough Cock's-foot Grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, compressed; one valve larger, and carinated.

SPEC. CHAR. Panicle crowded, leaning one way.

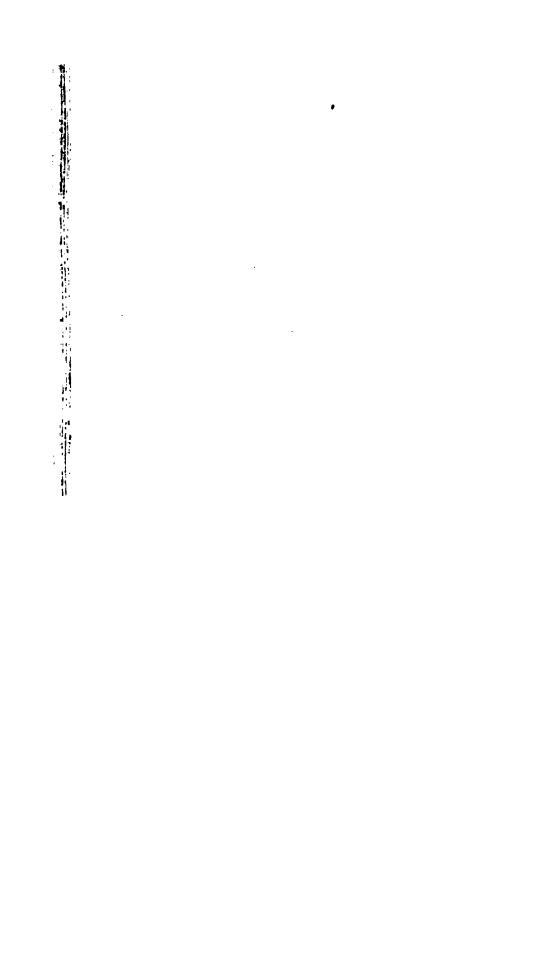
SYN. Dactylis glomerata. Linn. Sp. Pl. 105. Huds. Fl. An. 43. With. Bot. Arr. 94. Relh. Cant. 39. Sibth. Ox. 43.

Gramen asperum. Raii Syn. 400.

ONE of the most common of all grasses, in pastures, hedges, thickets, &c. remarkable for thriving under the shade and drippings of trees, and thence sometimes (as Dr. Withering mentions) called Orchard Grass. It is a harsh coarse grass,







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CYNOSURUS cristatus.

Crested Dog's-tail Grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 husks, containing few florets.

Partial Receptacle unilateral, leafy.

SPEC. CHAR. Bracteæ pinnatifid.

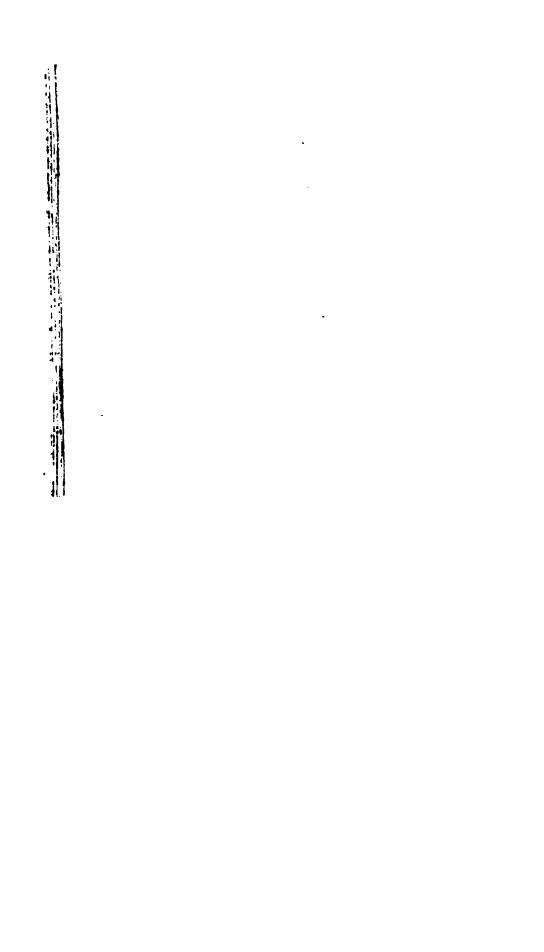
SYN. Cynosurus cristatus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 105. Huds. Fl. An. 59. With. Bot. Arr. 95. Relh. Cant. 39. Sibth. Ox. 52. Leers Herb. 49. t. 7. f. 4. Gramen cristatum. Raii Syn. 398.

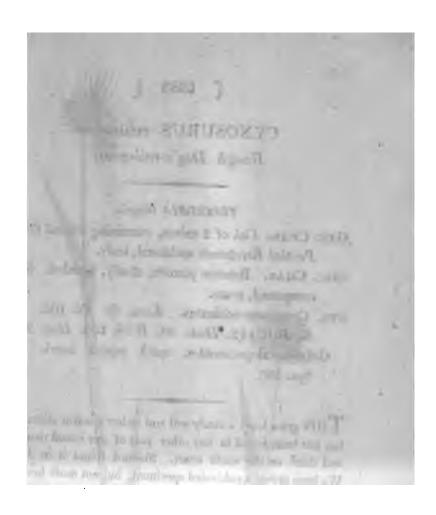
THIS grass is equally common with the preceding, making a principal part of the turf on high gravelly or chalky soils, in parks, lawns and sheep-walks, and affords good nourishment to those animals as well as to deer.

The root is tufted, perennial, with long simple fibres. Stems very erect, from a foot to 18 inches high, rigid, round, smooth,









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CYNOSURUS echinatus.

Rough Dog's-tail-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing several flores.

Partial Receptacle unilateral, leafy.

Spec. Char. Bracteæ pinnate, chaffy, bearded. Spike compound, ovate.

SYN. Cynosurus echinatus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 105. Sm. Fl. Brit. 112. Huds. 59. With. 150. Hull. 29. Gramen alopecuroides, spica aspera brevi. Raii

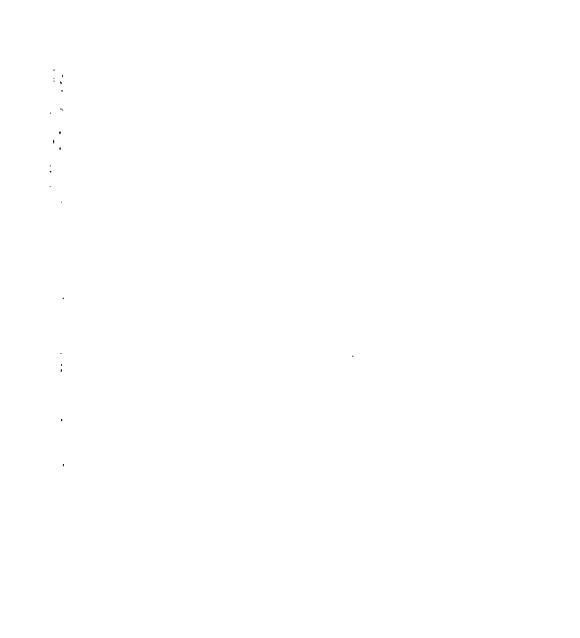
syn. 397.

THIS grass loves a sandy soil and rather a warm climate. It has not been found in any other part of our island than here and there on the south coast. Sherard found it in Jersey. We have drawn a cultivated specimen, but not more luxuriant than wild ones with which it has been compared. The seeds were gathered in Sussex. It flowers in July, and is annual.

Root of a few downy fibres. Stems one or more, ascending, leafy, round, striated, smooth, about a span high. Leaves









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F E S T U C A ovina, Sheep's Fescue-grass,

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, somewhat cylindrical, with sharp-pointed glumes.

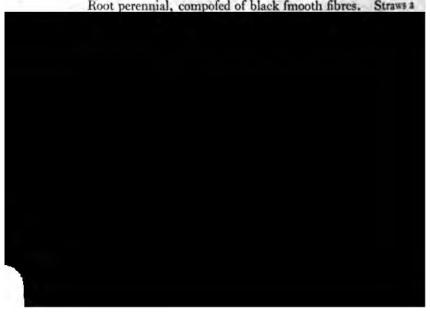
Spec. Char. Panicle pointing one way, close. Florets roundish, sincoth at their base. Straw square. Leaves bristle-shaped, rough.

SYN. Festuca ovina. Linn. Sp. Pl. 108. Huds. 44. With. 152. Relb. 40. Sibth. 43. Mart. Fl. Rus. t. 102.

β. F. rubra. With. 153, not of Linn. y. F. tenuifolia. Sibth. 44. With. 155.

Gramen capillaceum, locustellis pennatis, non aristatis. Raii Syn. 410.

A COMMON grass in dry exposed pastures, flowering in June, and supposed by Linnæus, Stillingsleet and others to be a peculiarly excellent food for sheep. Those who have recommended it for a crop of hay have probably mistaken for it the F. durinscula, t. 470, which thrives much more by culture, and yields a far greater produce. The square stem of F. durins distinguishes them at once without any other mark; the microscopic botanist may recur to the perfectly smooth-edged inner valve of the corolla, which in F. durinscula is sinely fringed.





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FESTUCA vivipara.

Viviparous Fescue-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, somewhat cylindrical, two-ranked, with sharp-pointed glumes.
- Spec. Char. Panicle pointing one way, crowded. Florets compressed, keeled, beardless, rather downy as well as the calyx. Stem square. Leaves bristle-shaped, smooth.
- SYN. Festuca vivipara. Sm. Fl. Brit. 114.
 - F. ovina β. Linn. Sp. Pl. 108. Huds. 44. Lightf. 101. With. 152, var. 4.
 - Gramen sparteum montanum, spicâ foliaceâ gramineà, majus et minus. Raii Syn. 410. t. 22. f. 1.

IT has been usual to consider this as a variety of Festica ovina, see v. 9. 1. 565, but a very slight comparison of their flowers will surely justify their being kept distinct. The plant before us is found only about the cloud-capt summits of the loftiest mountains. We have dried specimens from Scotland, Wales, and Westmoreland, and the recent garden one drawn





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FESTUCA cæsia.

Sea-green Heath Fescue-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

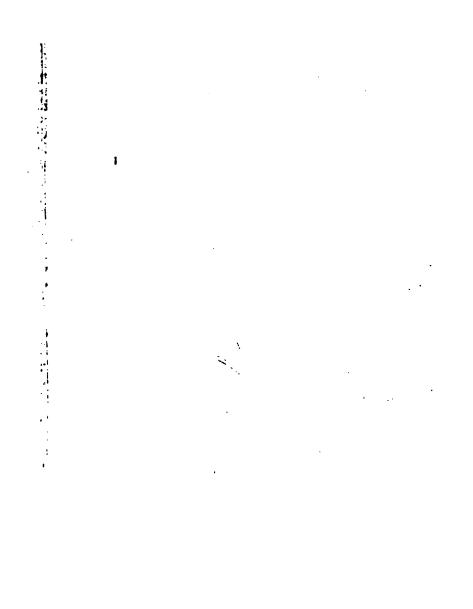
GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, somewhat cylindrical, two-ranked, with sharp-pointed glumes.

Spec. Char. Panicle pointing one way, close, glaucous. Florets cylindrical, roughish, awned; inner glume rough-edged. Straw quadrangular. Leaves compressed, channelled, glaucous.

IN almost the last botanical excursion that I enjoyed with my late friend Mr. Crowe, when we examined the country round Bury, in June 1804, along with our experienced guide Sir Thomas Cullum, we were much struck with the very glaucous aspect of this grass on the dry barren heaths north of that town. We preserved both dry and living specimens; and though the latter have been cultivated ever since in the rich moist ground at Lakenham, and have consequently grown very luxuriantly, their glaucous hue, and all the essential characters above stated, by which they may be known from F. ovina, t. 585, and duriuscula, t. 470, remain unchanged. Mr. Dickson informed Mr. Crowe that he had long known this plant on dry ground about Croydon, but could not find any description of it. He thought it near F. pumila of Host. Mr. Curtis used to call it glauca, but that name is now given by Mr. Winch to another species.

Our plant forms broad perennial depressed tufts, so very conspicuous for their blue-green hue, especially when moist with dew, that they cannot be overlooked. Stems about a span high, naked above, with 4 angles, but the spaces between them are convex. Leaves narrow, compressed, keeled, smooth, marked with a shallow channel above. Stipula minute. Panicle ovate, very glaucous, tinged with purple. Florets 4 or 5 in each calyx, roughish, with short rough June; their inner glumes downy at the edge.——It flowers in the middle of June.









[470] FESTUCA duriuscula.

Hard Fescue-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, fomewhat cylindrical, with sharp-pointed glumes.

Spec. Char. Panicle pointing one way, oblong, branched. Florets about fix, nearly cylindrical, awned. Stem-leaves flat. Root fibrous.

Syn. Festuca duriuscula. Linn. Sp. Pl. 108. Huds. 44. With. 153. Relh. 40. Sibth. 44.

Gramen pratense, panicula duriore laxa, unam partem spectante. Raii Syn. 413. t. 19. f. 1.

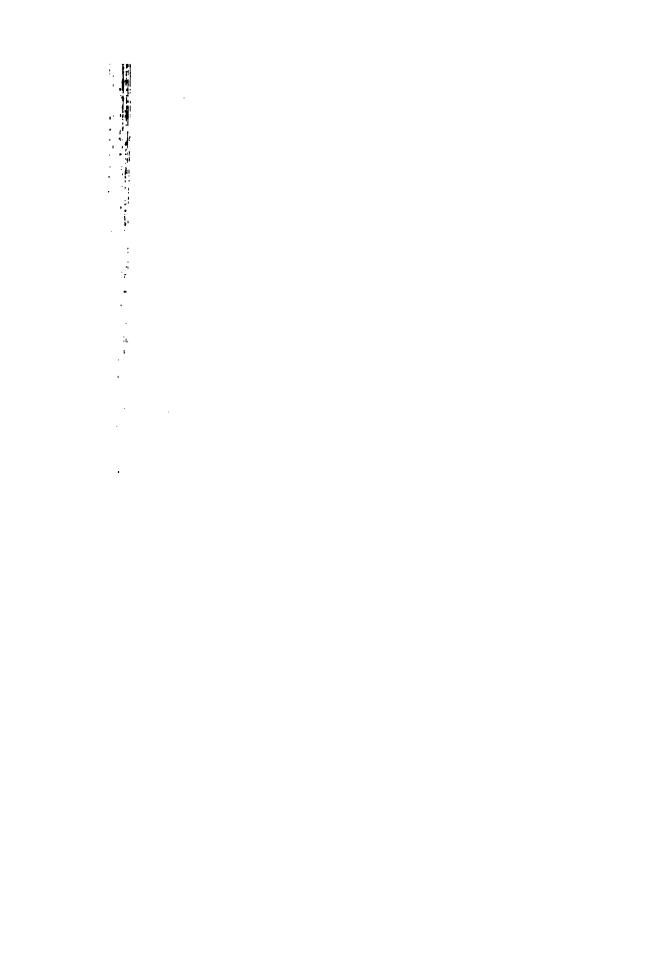
B. Festuca dumetorum. Linn. Sp. Pl. 109. With. 154.

A COMMON grass every where in pastures, meadows, and waste ground, flowering about midsummer.

Root fibrous, perennial. Herbage of a full darkish green. Straws a foot or more in height, erect, leafy. Leaves upright, roughish: the lower ones slender, rigid, acute, compressed, striated, their base completely sheathing the straw, with scarcely any perceptible stipula. Upper leaves broader and flat. Panicle erect, a little zigzag, alternately branched, the branches all leaning one way, the lower ones subdivided and most spreading. Flower-stalks all sharply angular, and rough-Spikelets at first cylindrical, but by the florets spreading they become flattened, often reddish. Calve of two unequals cap-











FESTUCA rubra.

Creeping Fescue-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, somewhat cylindrical, two-ranked, with sharp-pointed glumes.

Spec. Char. Panicle pointing one way. Florets roundish, awned. Leaves downy on the upper side.

Root creeping.

Syn. Festuca rubra. Linn. Sp. Pl. 109. Sm. Fl. Brit. 116. Huds. 45. Lightf. 102. Hull. ed. 2. 29. Stilling fl. Misc. t. 9.

F. repens, a variety of duriuscula. Knapp. t. 119.
Gramen alpinum pratense, panicula duriore laxá spadicea, locustis majoribus. Scheuchz. Agr. 287. t. 6.
f. 9.

β. Festuca cambrica. Huds. 45. With. 155. Hull. 24.
 γ. F. glabra. Lightf. 1085. Huds. 648. With. 154. Hull. 24.

S. F. glauca. Winch Guide, v. 2. præf. 2.

IT is very hard to say in this genus what may or may not be a species, but we feel much inclined to agree with our observing friend Mr. Knapp, that the 4 supposed species, which we here reduce to one, are not really distinct even from F. duriuscula, t. 470. From our figure of the latter its tendency to a creeping root is obvious. In the plant before us, which inhabits the loose barren sands of the sea coast, that part is indeed prodigiously elongated, and acquires long woolly fibres, a change apparently caused by its situation. In alpine specimens the same part spreads less, producing more frequent herbage. The whole plant is strongest and most rigid on the coast, as happens in Triticum repens, and occasionally more glaucous likewise. The upper side of the leaves is very downy, and their edges involute. Panicle various in size, as are the awns in length. Florets more or less downy. It flowers in June.





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FESTUCA bromoides.

Barren Fescue-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

ĠEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, somewhat cylindrical, two-ranked, with sharp-pointed glumes.

Spec. Char. Panicle upright, pointing one way. Flores awl-shaped, awned, rough at the top. Leaves bristle-

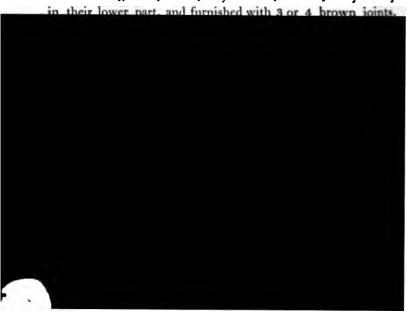
shaped, shorter than their sheaths.

Syn. Festuca bromoides. Linn. Sp. Pl. 110. Sm. Fl.
 Brit. 117. Huds. 46. With. 151. Hull. 23.
 Sibth. 44. Ehrh. Calam. 6. Knapp. t. 69.

Gramen paniculatum bromoides minus, paniculis aristatis, unam partem spectantibus. Raii Syn. 415. Plul. Phyt. t. 33. f. 10.

FOUND on dry sandy ground, sometimes on walls, but not common, flowering in June and July. The Rev. Mr. Hemsted sent it from Bedford.

Root annual, of numerous branching fibres. Stems several, forming tufts, about a span high or more, (for the plant varies much in size,) erect, round, very smooth, slender, leafy chiefly in their lower part, and furnished with 3 or 4 brown joints.





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FESTUCA Myurus.

Wall Fescue-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

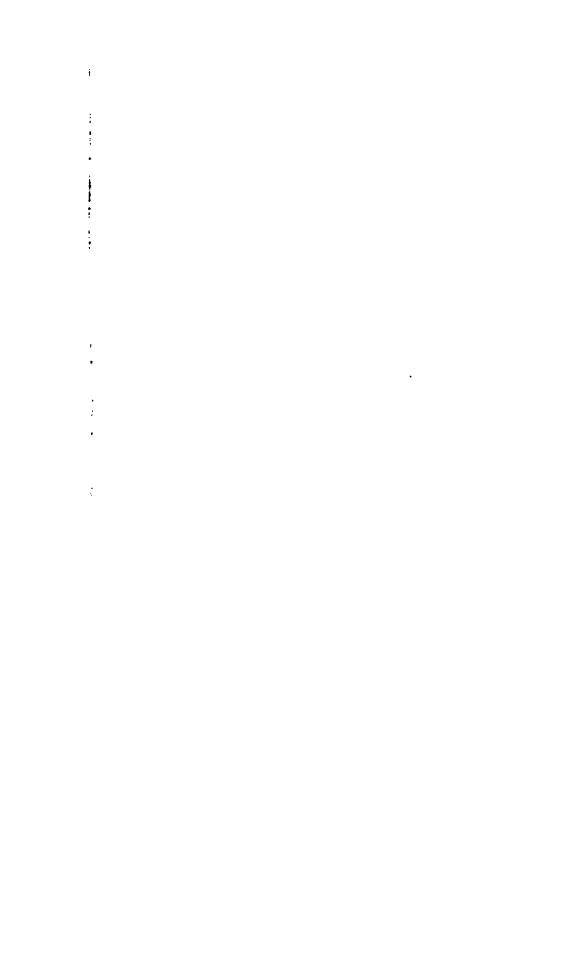
- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, somewhat cylindrical, two-ranked, with sharp-pointed glumes.
- Spec. Char. Panicle drooping, pointing one way. Florets awl-shaped, awned, rough at the top. Leaves bristle-shaped, somewhat keeled, very short.
- SYN. Festuca Myurus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 109. Sm. Fl.
 Brit. 118. Huds. 46. With. 151. Hull. 23.
 Relh. 37. Sibth. 44. Abbot. 21. Dicks. H. Sicc.
 fasc. 10. 2. Knapp. t. 70.

Gramen murorum, spicâ longissimâ. Raii Syn. 415.

THIS is much more frequent than the last in dry barren ground, and especially on the tops of walls, where its long inclining silky panicles, waving with every breath of wind, and growing in large tufts, easily excite attention. It is annual,







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FESTUCA uniglumis.

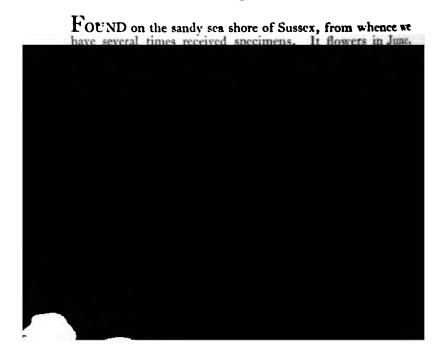
Single-husked Fescue-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, somewhat cylindrical, two-ranked, with sharp-pointed glumes.
- Spec. Char. Panicle upright, pointing one way, nearly simple. Florets awl-shaped, compressed, awned. One valve of the calyx very short.
- SYN. Festuca uniglumis. Soland. in Ait. H. Kew. v. 1. 108. Sm. Fl. Brit. 118. Dichs. H. Sicc. fasc. 17. 1. Knapp. t. 71.

Stipa membranacea. Linn. Sp. Pl. 116? Mant. 2. 326?

Lolium bromoides. Huds. 55. With. 169. Hull. 27. Festuca avenacea sterilis humillima, spicâ unam partem spectante. Dill. in Raii Syn. 413. n. 3. t. 17. f. 2, but not Raii Syn. ed. 2. 261. 4.





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FESTUCA triflora.

Three-flowered Fescue-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, somewhat cylindrical, two-ranked, with sharp-pointed glumes.

SPEC. CHAR. Panicle spreading. Spikelets three-flowered,

with long awns.

SYN. Bromus triflorus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 115. Fl. Dan. t. 440. Sm. Tr. of Linn. Soc. v. 8. 276.

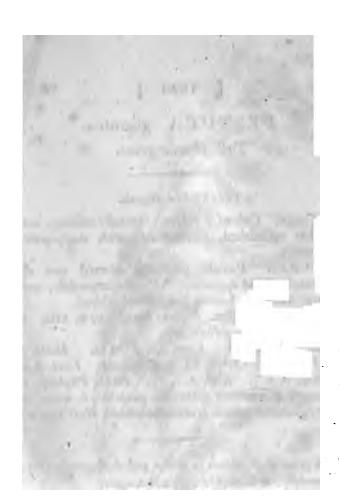
Gramen bromoides, paniculâ sparsâ, locustis minoribus aristatis. Scheuchz. Agr. 511. t. 5. f. 19.

THIS grass, new to Britain, and very little known to botanists in general, was found by Mr. Crowe on his estate at Saham, Norfolk, in the autumn of 1804, when it was in flower, as recorded in the 8th volume of the Linnæan Society's Transactions. His original specimen is drawn in our plate, but he could never again find the precise spot where it grew, nor have I since his death had either opportunity or inclination to visit that sequestered country, where we have together collected several uncommon plants as well as insects.

Less accurate observers than Mr. Crowe may probably have overlooked this plant for Festuca gigantea, t. 1820; but besides its smaller size and many shades of difference in its stipula and habit, it is essentially distinguished by having but 3, or at most 4, florets in each calyx, and a more spreading, less drooping, panicle. The florets are slightly 5-ribbed in their upper part. Awns long, rough, alike terminal in all the florets, as far as we can discern, there being only now and then a slight separation of the marginal membrane. Inner glumes minutely rough with depressed short hairs, not coarsely fringed. Root tufted, perennial, with many strong rough fibres.







[1820]

FESTUCA gigantea.

Tall Fescue-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, somewhat cylindrical, two-ranked, with sharp-pointed glumes.

Spec. Char. Panicle drooping toward one side, branched and spreading. Florets lanceolate, swelling, awned. Leaves lanceolate, ribbed.

Syn. Festuca gigantea. Villars Dauph. v. 2. 110. Sm. Fl. Brit. 120. Relh. 37.

Bromus giganteus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 114. Huds. 51. With. 162. Silth. 48. Abbot. 24. Curt. Lond. fasc. 5. t. 7. Knapp. t. 87. Ehrh. Phytoph. 52.

Gramen avenaceum glabrum, paniculà e spicis raris strigosis composità, aristis tenuissimis. Raii Syn. 415.

THIS grass often occurs in groves and shady places that are rather moist. It flowers in July and August.

Root perennial, fibrous, blackish. Stem 3 or 4 feet high, upright, simple, leafy, round, striated, smooth to the touch. Leaves upright, of a full green, broadish, rather lanceolate than linear, pointed, ribbed, shining beneath, rough on the





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FESTUCA calamaria. Reed-like Fescue-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, fomewhat cylindrical, two-ranked, with sharp pointed glumes.

Spec. Char. Panicle pointing one way, erect, much branched. Florets oblong, angular, beardless. Leaves sword shaped, striated.

SYN. Festuca calamaria. Sm. Fl. Brit. 121.
Poa trincrvata. Schrad. Spicil. 3. Wilden. Sp. Pl.
v. 1. 389.

A NATIVE of moist rather alpine woods. Our specimens were communicated by Mr. G. Donn of Forfar, who informs us that he has known this grass for 12 years past, having found it in Dumbartonshire and Breadalbane, also near Fort Augustus. We first received it from Mr. Mackay, see Fl. Brit. It is not, however, peculiar to Scotland. The Rev. Mr. Butt has found it in a wood near Newtown Barry, Ireland; and Mr. Moseley of Glashampton favoured us lately with living plants from the ledges of a losty red sand-stone rock in Shrawley wood, near his residence. Of so new and rare a plant we would not omit to mention all its known stations.





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FESTUCA decidua.

Deciduous Fescue-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digunia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, somewhat cylindrical, two-ranked, with sharp-pointed glumes.

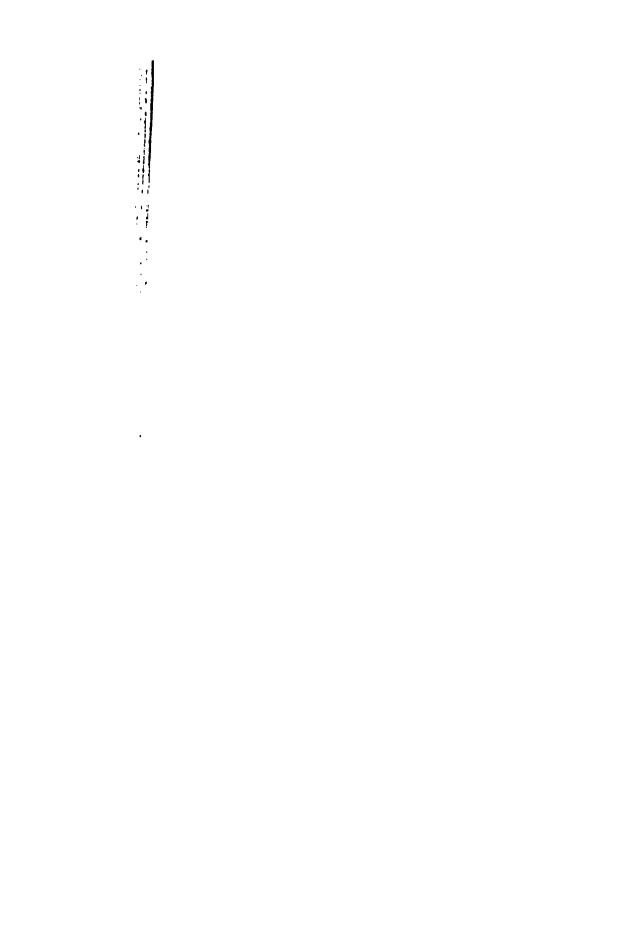
Spec. Char. Panicle pointing one way, erect. much branched. Florets two or three, oblong, angular, beardless; the upper ones deciduous. Leaves linear, striated.

Syn. Festuca decidua. Bellardi Mss.

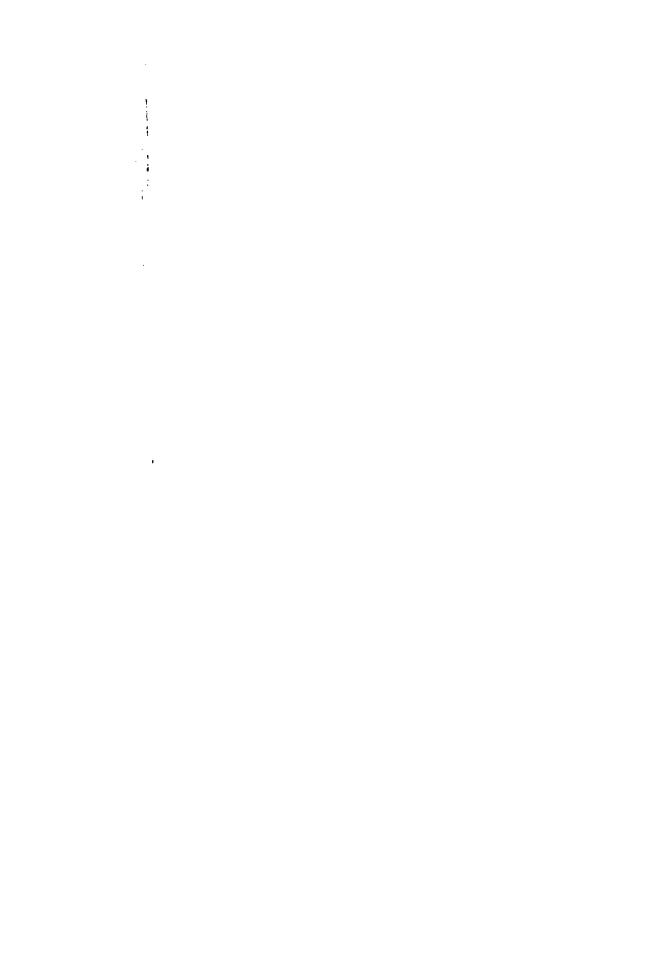
of Howes-water, Westmoreland, by the Rev. Mr. Holme, F.L.S. We find his specimens agree in every point with one sent from Piedmont in 1789, under the above name, by our worthy friend Dr. Bellardi, with an inquiry "whether it might be F. sylvatica of Villars?" It certainly comes very near that species, which is our F. calamaria, t. 1005; a name we preferred, as not clashing with F. sylvatica of Hudson, our Bromus sylvaticus, t. 729; but which we shall willingly resign to Schrader's decision in favour of the former.













FESTUCA loliacea. Spiked Fescue-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, somewhat cylindrical, two-ranked, with sharp-pointed glumes.

Spec. Char. Spike two-ranked, drooping. Spikelets nearly sessile, linear-oblong. Florets cylindrical, without awns or dorsal ribs.

Syn. Festuca loliacea. Huds. ed. 1. 38. Sm. Fl. Brit. 122. With. 157. Hull. 24. Relh. 38. Sibth. 45. Curt. Lond. fasc. 6. t. 9. Knapp t. 74.

F. fluitans β. Huds. 47.

F. elongata. Ehrh. Calam. 93.

Graminis loliacei vulgaris varietas spicis rariùs dispositis.

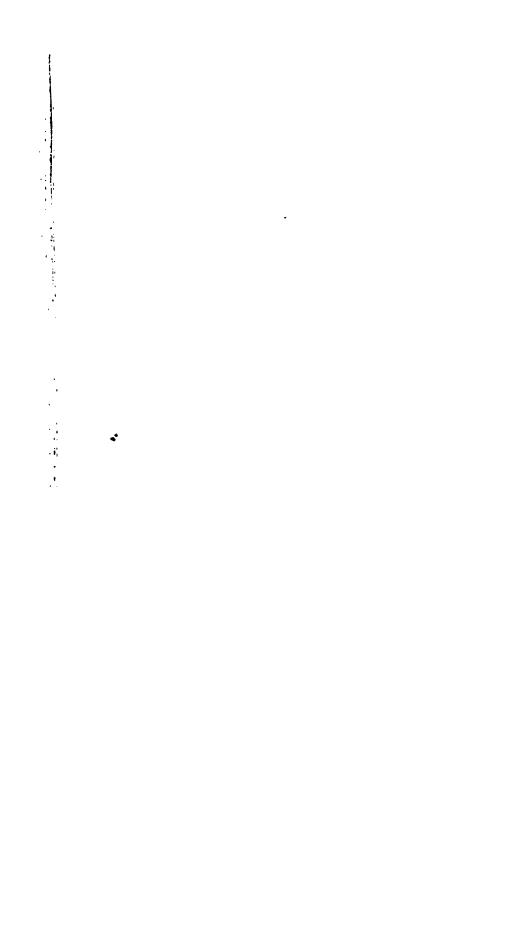
Moris. sect. 8. t. 2. f. 2.

NOT unfrequent in rich, rather moist, pastures and meadows, flowering in July, though its great resemblance to Lolium perenne, t. 315, occasions it to be generally overlooked.

Root perennial, fibrous. Stems erect, 2 feet high, simple, slender, leafy, round, smooth. Leaves linear, narrow, flat, ribbed, smooth, with long sheaths and very short stipulas. Spike long and lax, a little drooping, the spikelets upright, mostly sessile, in 2 ranks, alternate, linear-oblong, acute,







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FESTUCA pratensis.

Meadow Fescue-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, somewhat cylindrical, two-ranked, with sharp-pointed glumes.

Spec. Char. Panicle nearly upright, loose, pointing to one side. Spikelets linear, compressed, bluntish.

Florets cylindrical, obscurely ribbed.

Syn. Festuca pratensis. Huds. ed. 1. 37. Sm. Fl. Brit. 123. Relh. 38. Abbot. 21. Curt. Lond. fasc. 6. t. 7. Mart. Rust. t. 84. Knapp, t. 73.

F. elatior. Linn. Fl. Suec. 32. With. 156, var. 2. Hull. 24.

F. fluitans y. Huds. 47.

Gramen paniculatum elatius, spicis longis muticis squamosis. Raii Syn. 411; but not Barrel. Ic. t. 25.

NOT uncommon in meadows and pastures, especially such as are rather moist, where it flowers about the middle or end of June.

Root fibrous, perennial. Stems about 2 feet high, erect, smooth, simple, leafy. Leaves spreading, linear, pointed, flat, of a darkish green, striated; the upper ones rough on both sides to the touch. Sheaths striated, very smooth. Stipula short and obtuse, decurrent, embracing the stem. Panicle nearly erect, its branches spreading chiefly to one side, growing in pairs, unequal in size; the stalks compressed and rough. Spikelets stalked, divaricated, alternate, linear-oblong, bluntish, compressed, smooth, tinged with purple or brown. Calyx-glumes unequal, sharpish, smooth. Florets numerous, a little distant, two-ranked, cylindrical, acute, marked in the upper part with 5 inconspicuous ribs; their margin membranous. Inner valves downy at the edge.

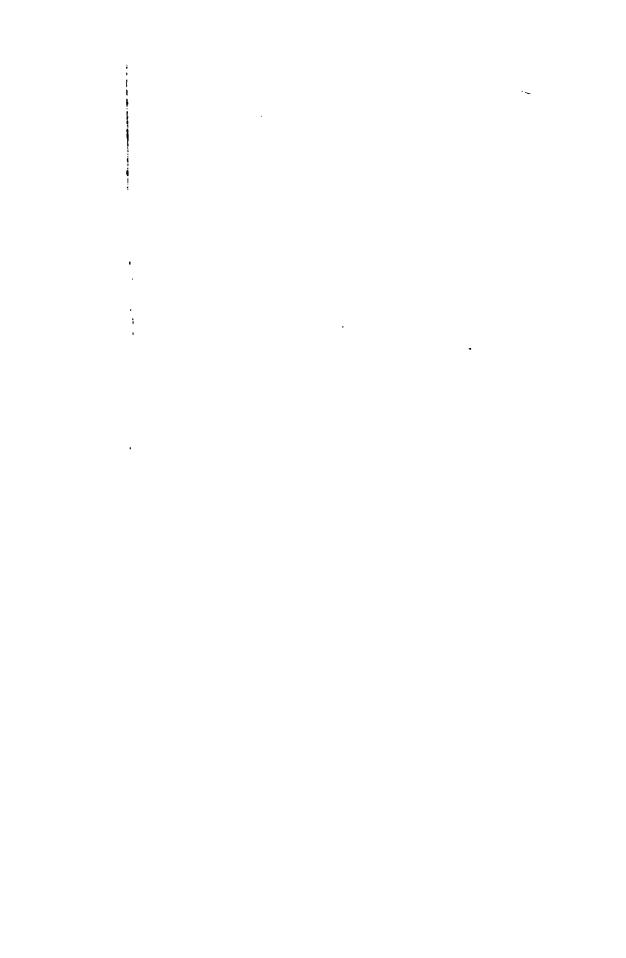
Mr. Curtis, whose whole account of this grass is excellent, recommends it as very hardy, and affording a plentiful crop

of good herbage.



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FESTUCA elatior. Tall Fescue-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, somewhat cylindrical, two-ranked, with sharp-pointed glumes.

Spec. Char. Panicle drooping, spreading loosely every way, very much branched. Spikelets ovato-lanceolate, acute. Florets cylindrical, obscurely ribbed.

Syn. Festuca elatior. Linn. Sp. Pl. 111. Sm. Fl. Brit. 124. Huds. 47. With. 155. Hull. 24. Relh. 38. Sibth. 45. Abbot. 21. Curt. Lond. fasc. 6. t. 8.

G. arundinaceum aquaticum, paniculâ avenaceâ. Raii

Syn. 411.

G. paniculatum nemorosum, latiore folio, glabrum, paniculâ nutante non aristatâ. Dill. in Raii Syn. 411, but the plant of Micheli is F. calamaria, t. 1005.

FOUND in the moist meadows and osier-grounds about the Thames, and in other similar places. Sherard had it from Dover in a very luxuriant state; and from his specimens, which we have compared with those of Linnæus, Dillenius admitted it into his edition of Ray, though (unless I am greatly mistaken) it is not different from the species in that work immediately preceding.

It is perennial, flowering in July. The root is fibrous, forming very large tufts producing abundance of coarse herbage. The stems vary from 3 to almost 5 feet in height. Leaves twice the size of F. pratensis; from which it further differs in having a much more branched and drooping panicle, which spreads nearly in every direction, with ovate, acute, less compressed spikelets.



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BROMUS secalinus.

Smooth Rye Brome-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

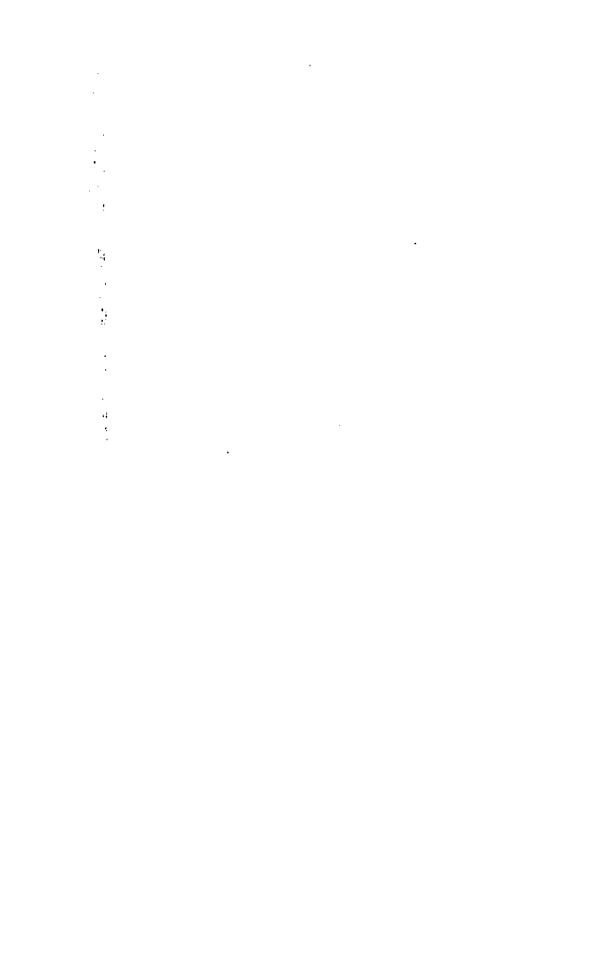
- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, 2-ranked. Awn from below the top. Inner hust fringed.
- Spec. Char. Panicle spreading; stalks but little branched. Spikelets ovate, compressed, of about ten distinct, somewhat cylindrical, florets.
- SYN. Bromus secalinus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 112. Sm. Fl. Brit. 125. Tr. of Linn. Soc. v. 4. 281. Hull. 24. Relh. 39. Abbot. 22.
 - B. polymorphus γ. Huds. 49. With. 159. var. 2.
 Festuca avenacea, spicis habitioribus, glumis glabris. Raii Syn. 414.

SINCE the species of this difficult genus have become better known to botanists, the *B. secalinus* has been observed in corn-fields in various parts of Britain. In Norfolk it often occurs. Our specimens were sent from Copgrove near Knaresborough by the Rev. Mr. Dalton, in the middle of September 1802.

The root is annual. Stem about 3 feet high, simple, round, smooth and leafy. Leaves broadish, flat, ribbed; rough at









BROMUS multiflorus.

Downy Rye Brome-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, 2ranked. Awn from below the top. Inner husk fringed.

Spec. Char. Panicle spreading; stalks but little branched. Spikelets ovato-lanceolate, compressed, of about fifteen, rather imbricated, and somewhat cylindrical, florets.

Syn. Bromus multiflorus. Weigel. Obs. 2. t. 1. f. 1. Sm. Fl. Brit. 126. Tr. of Linn. Soc. v. 4. 283. Hull. 25. Relh. 39. Knapp. t. 80.

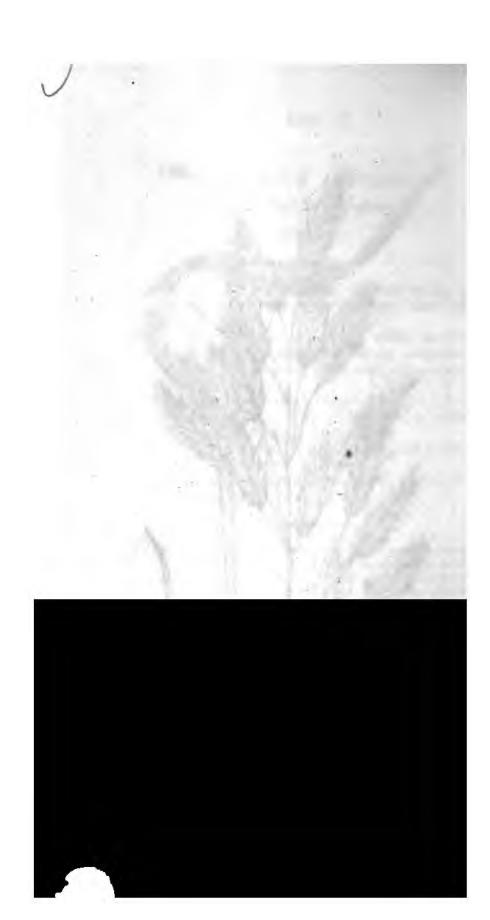
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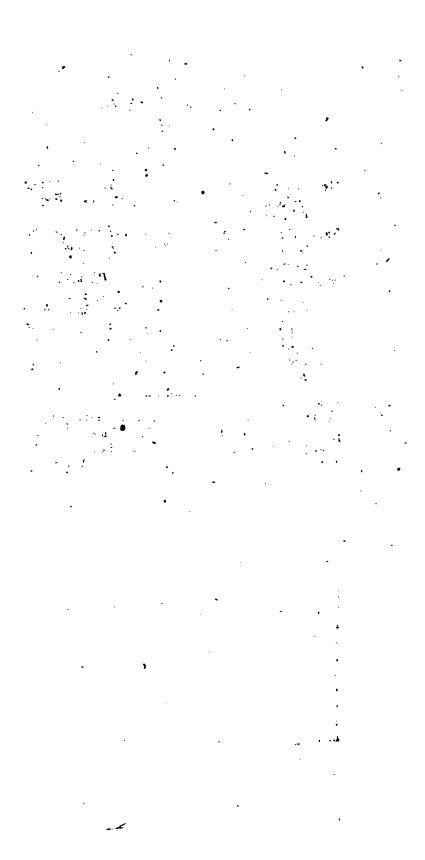
Festuca graminea, glumis hirsutis. Bauh. Theatr. 143. Scheuchz. Agr. 250. t. 5. f. 9.

WEIGEL's figure and description in his rare dissertation leave no doubt of this being his B. multiflorus, and he is the first botanist who understood it, though there is little or no doubt of any of the above synonyms. Lightfoot's indeed depends chiefly upon the place of growth, for his account is a compilation. I wish some good botanist would search the fields between Edinburgh and New Haven, where I gathered the specimen here delineated, in July 1782. It is the only British one of which we are quite certain.

This species differs from B. secalinus, t. 1171, to which it is nearest allied, in having more lanceolate spikelets, consisting of from 12 to 16 florets, with downy glumes. We should however by no means depend on such a difference of number, but there is an essential distinction in their shape. These florets are much less cylindrical, and never so remote as in the secalinus, in which respect they more approach mollis, t. 1078, but those are only concave, and never cylindrical at all. To understand this genus truly, the spikelets must be observed in their several stages of growth, and then I believe the species cannot be confounded.







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BROMUS mollis.

Soft Brome-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, 2-ranked. Awn from below the top. Inner bask fringed.

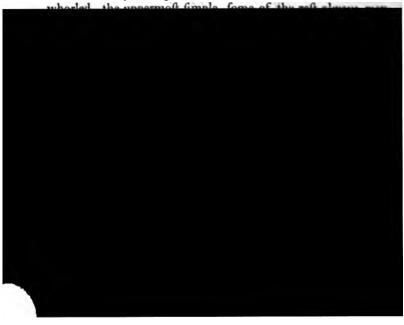
SPEC. CHAR. Panicle creet, close, compound. Spikelets ovate. Florets imbricated, depressed, ribbed,

downy.

SYN. Bromus mollis. Linn. Sp. Pl. 112. Sm. Fl. Brit. 126. Tr. of Linn. Soc. v. 4. 284. Hull. 25. Curt. Lond. fasc. 1. t. 8. Mart. Fl. Rust. t. 99. Relb. 45. ed. 2. 39. Sibtb. 47. Abbot. 23.
B. polymorphus α. Huds. 48. var. 1. Witb. 159. Festuca avenacea hirsuta, paniculis minùs sparsis. Raii Syn. 413.

VERY common and abundant in pastures, also on waste ground, walls, &c. slowering early in June, when it makes a considerable part of the general crops of hay.

Root annual, of a few simple sibres. Stem erect, about 2 feet high, simple, generally smooth, sometimes hairy; the joints swelling, and often thickly clothed with hairs. Leaves and their sheaths thickly covered with soft hoary pubescence. Stipulæ bluntly pointed. Panicle 2 or 3 inches long, erect, close, a little spreading when in full slower; its branches half-





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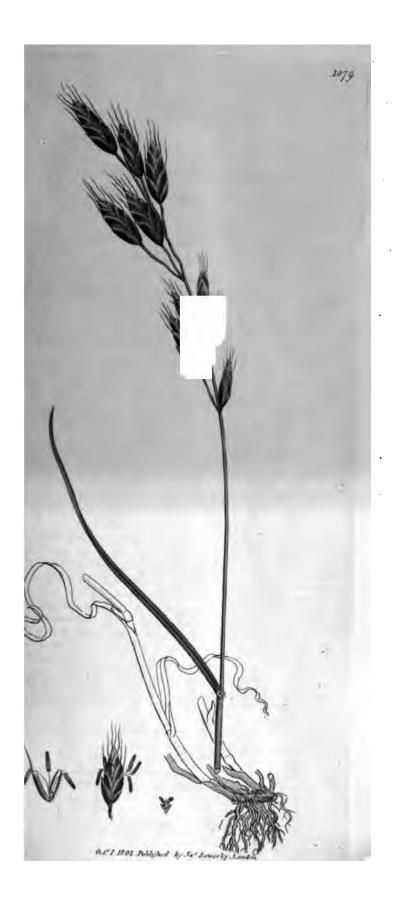
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BROMUS racemosus: Smooth Brome-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikeles oblong, 2-ranked. Awn from below the top. Inner buft fringed.
- Spec. Char. Panicle nearly erect, spreading, simple. Spikelets ovate, of about fix imbricated, depressed, ribbed, smooth florets.
- SYN. Bromus racemosus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 114. Sm. Fl. Brit. 128. Tr. of Linn. Soc. v. 4. 286. Hull. 25.
 - B. polymorphus β, δ. Hudf. 49. var. 3, 4. Wub. 160.
 - Festuca avenacea, spicis strigosioribus, e glumis glabris compactis. Raii Syn. 414.
 - Gramen avenaceum pratense, glumă tenuiore glabri. Dill. in Raii Syn. 414.

THERE is reason to presume that this species of Browns, though long overlooked by the generality of botanists, is not extremely rare. Since its characters have been more amply explained than heretofore, we have received it from a species of the second statement of the s



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BROMUS squarrosus. Corn Brome-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, 2-ranked. Awn from below the top. Inner husk fringed.

Spec. Char. Panicle drooping; stalks simple. Spikelets ovate, of about twelve imbricated depressed

florets, with divaricated awns.

Syn. Bromus squarrosus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 112. Sm. Fl. Brit. 129. Tr. of Linn. Soc. v. 4. 288. Huds. 49? With. 160? Hull. 25?

Festuca graminea, glumis vacuis. Scheuchz. Agr. 251.

t. 5. f. 11.

Gramen phalaroides majus acerosum, nutante spica. Barrel. Ic. t. 24. f. 1.

MR. HUDSON mentions this grass as growing in fields near Glastonbury, Somersetshire, and Marshfield, Sussex, but no other person has been able to find it. Mr. Knapp, the great investigator of British grasses, has never met with it, and I have hinted my doubts on the subject in the Fl. Brit., since which I have received B. secalinus from Sussex as squarrosus, from a friend of Mr. Hudson's, though not indeed with his authority. Wishing this work to contain all the British plants, as enumerated in the Flora Britannica, we think it right to introduce a figure of every such plant, not proved to be a mistake, from foreign specimens when no other are to be had. Very few indeed are in such a predicament, and our figures will lead practical observers to decide each point in dispute, for the profit of those who come after us. Having so nearly reached the termination of our labours, we would leave nothing undone.

This is a small annual species, remarkable for its large ovate spikelets, with turgid (but not cylindrical) many-ribbed whose inner glumes are comparatively very small, th remote teeth. The awns are singularly divariables on the sheaths of the leaves point down-



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BROMUS arvensis. Taper Field Brome-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, 2ranked. Ann from below the top. Inner knul fringed.

Spec. Char. Panicle spreading, drooping, compound. Spikelets lanceolate, acute, about eight-flowered, Florets elliptical, imbricated, smoothish, with two close ribs on each side.

Bromus arvensis. Linn. Sp. Pl. 113. Fl. Suec. 1.
 Sm. Tr. of L. Soc. u. 4. 289. Fl. Brit. 130.
 Rel. Rudb. 15. Leers t. 11. f. 3. Ehrh. Calam. 64.

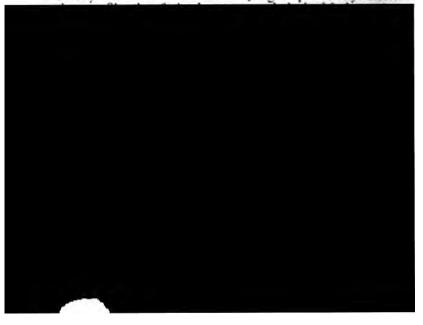
B. spiculi-tenuata. Knapp t. 81.

B. verticillatus. Cavan. Ic. t. 590.

Festuca elatior, paniculis minùs sparsis, locustis oblongis strigosis aristatis purpureis splendentibus. Raii Syn. ed. 2. 261.

TWO distinct species have been confounded under Browns arvensis in England. This, to which all the above synonyms, as well as the rest in Fl. Brit. after Ray's, and the description, certainly belong, was gathered by Sherard near Southampton, by Mr. W. Backhouse and by Mr. Knapp on the coast of Durham. The latter botanist rightly distinguished it, but was unfortunate in its name, not suspecting it to be the true original arvensis.

It is an annual plant, flowering late. The stear is often a yard high, with a very large, branching, many-flowered, drooping, and at length pendulous panicle, whose lowest stalks mostly have bracteas at their base; a great peculiarity. Leave-



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BROMUS arventis. Matirei Field Brome-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, 2-GEN. CHAR. ranked. Awn from below the top. Inner bufk fringed.

SPEC. CHAR. Panicle spreading: its stalks branched. Spikelets lanceolate, about eight-flowered. Florets elliptical, imbricated, depreffed, fmoothish.

SYN. Bromus arvensis. Linn. Sp. Pl. 113. Sm. Fl. Brit. 130. Tr. of L. Soc. v. 4. 289. With. 162. Hull. 25. Leers. t. 11. f. 3.

B. erectus B. Huds. 50?

Feftuca elatior, paniculis minus fparfis, locuftis oblongis strigosis aristatis purpureis splendentibus. Raii Syn. 414.

How much uncertainty has attended this grafs as a native of Britain may be feen in Withering. We doubt whether Hudfon or Lightfoot ever knew it. Fl. Dan. t. 293. may be intended for an awnless variety; but we have never seen such, and the pubefcence is incorrect. Sherard's herbarium contains the true plant, gathered by him near Southampton, and well known to Dillenius, as well as Linnæus. Our accurate friend Mr. Woodward first observed the same in the borders of a field at Earsham, Norfolk, many years ago, and supplied us with fresh specimens last June.

The root is annual. Stem fimple, 2 or 3 feet high, leafy, ftriated, fmooth. Leaves bright-green, a little downy on each fide, their fheaths thickly clothed with foft hairs pointing downwards. Stipula short. Panicle erect, many-flowered; its branches whorled, many of them compound and subdivided. at least in luxuriant specimens, for the plant often grows much larger than in those now before us. Spikes lanceolate and erect at first, afterwards more ovate and drooping, formed of about 8 or more imbricated, elliptical, depressed (not cylindrical or diffant) florets, variegated with green, purple, and white, but little downy, and remarkable for a gloffy appearance

b observable in other Bromi. The antherse are occasion-

le or yellow.





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BROMUS erectus.

Upright Brome-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, somewhat cylindrical, 2-ranked. Awn from below the top. Inner busk fringed.

Spec. Char. Panicle erect, a little branched. Florets numerous, slender. Radical leaves very narrow, fringed with white scattered hairs.

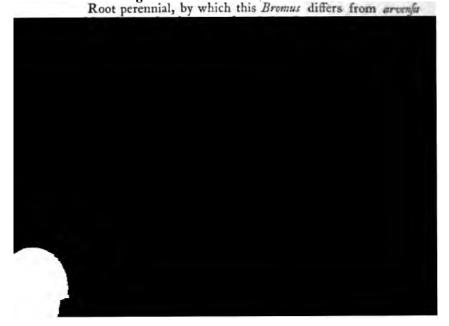
SYN. Bromus erectus. Hulf. 49. With. 160. Sibib. 47. Relb. Suppl. 2. 8.

B. agrestis. Allion. Ped. V. 2. 249.

B. perennis. Villars Dauph. V. 2. 122.

Festuca avenacea sterilis, spicis erectis. Raii Sm. ed. 2. 261. ed. 3. 413. the synonyms erroneous.

THIS grass prefers a sand on a chalky soil. Mr. Crowe observed it at Holkham, Norsolk. The Rev. Mr. Hemsted sent this specimen from Cambridgeshire. It was first sound by Sherard, near Oxford, from whom (through Bobart) it became known to Ray, as we find by the Sherardian Herbarium at Oxford, where, also, by the savour of the present liberal and scientific professor, Dr. Williams, I have learned to decypher the synonyms of this whole genus, which have not been understood by Dillenius, nor any subsequent author, even Linnæus having lent his hand to the almost inextricable consuson.





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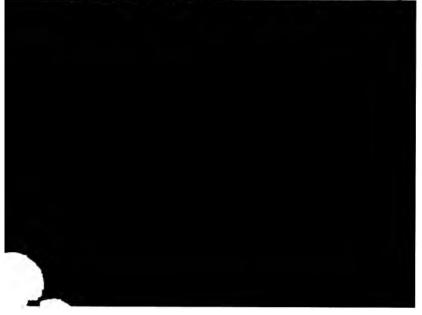
BROMUS asper.

Hairy Wood Brome-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, 2-ranked. Awn from below the top. Inner hush fringed.
- Spec. Char. Panicle drooping, branched. Florets lanceolate, almost cylindrical, but slightly ribbed. Leaves uniform: the lower ones hairy.
- Syn. Bromus asper. Linn. Suppl. 111. Sm. Fl. Brit. 133. Tr. of Linn. Soc. v. 4. 293. With. 161. Hull. 25. Relh. 40. Mart. Rust. t. 126.
 - B. nemoralis. Huds. 51.
 - B. hirsutus. Curt. Lond. fasc. 2. t. 8. Sibth. 48. Abbot. 23.
 - Gramen avenaceum dumetorum, paniculâ sparâ. Raii Syn. 415.

THIS gigantic grass often appears in moist woods and hedges about July and August, extending its wide-spreading drooping panicle over the tops of ferns and bushes, being





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B R O M U S sterilis. Barren Brome-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, 2-ranked. Ann from below the top. Inner buft fringed.

Spec Char. Paniele drooping, mostly simple. Florets lanceofate, ribbed, surrowed. Leaves downy.

Syn. Bromus sterilis. Linn. Sp. Pl. 113. Sm. Fl.
Brit. 134. Tr. of L. Soc. v. 4. 295. Huds. 50.
With. 162. Hull. 25. Relb. 46. Sibth. 47.
Abhot. 23. Curt. Lond. fasc. 1. t. 9. Mart.
Rust. t. 125.

Festuca avenacea sterilis elatior, seu Bromos Dioscoridis. Raii Syn. 412.

ONE of the most frequent grasses in waste ground, about hedges, and even in cultivated fields, flowering in June and July. The elegantly pendent panicle renders it conspicuous; but this ornamental quality will scarcely compensate for its inutility to the agriculturist, which by common consent has procured it the name of *sterilis*. In fact its leaves, though eatable for cattle, are too few and short-lived to render it of





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BROMUS diandrus. Upright annual Brome-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, 2-ranked. Awn from below the top. Inner but fringed.
- SPEC. CHAR. Panicle upright, spreading, scarcely subdivided. Florets lanceolate, ribbed, surrowed, with only two stamina.
- Syn. Bromus diandrus. Curt. Lond. fasc. 6. 1. 5. Sm. Fl. Brit. 135. Tr. of L. Soc. v. 4. 296.
 - B. madritensis. Linn. Sp. Pl. 114. With. 161.
 - B. muralis. Huds. 50. Sibtb. 48.
 - Festuca avenacea sterilis, paniculis confertis erectioribus, aristis brevioribus. Raii Syn. ed. 2. 261.

OUR specimens of this Bromus were gathered at St. Vincent's rocks, Bristol, by the Rev. Mr. Hemsted. It grows mostly on sandy barren ground, walls, and waste places, but not commonly. Mr. Curtis, who is entitled to great praise





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BROMUS fylvaticus.

Slender Wood Brome-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikelet oblong, 2-ranked.

Awn from below the top. Inner busk fringed.

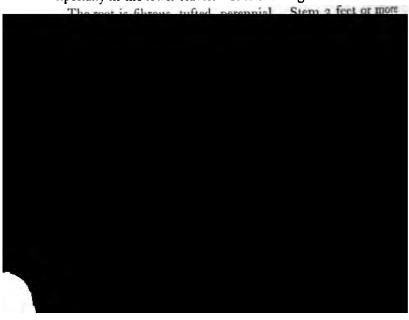
Spec. Char. Spike fimple, drooping, lcaning one way. Spikelets feffile, roundish. Awns longer than their husk. Leaves hairy.

Syn. Bromus sylvaticus. Tr. of Linn. Soc. v. 4. 300. Sm. Fl. Brit. 136. Hull. 26.

Festuca sylvatica. Huds. ed. 1. 38. With. 158. Relb. 44. Sibth. 46. Mart. Fl. Rust. 1. 114. Dicks. H. Sicc. sasc. 13. 9.

Gramen avenaceum dumetorum spicatum. Raii Syn. 394.

REQUENT in copies and thickets by the fides of shady lanes, more especially on a gravelly or fandy soil, slowering in July, when its slender form, rising above the surrounding herbage, renders it conspicuous. It becomes still more so in the latter part of summer by assuming a yellowish or tawny hue, especially in the lower leaves. It is of no agricultural use.







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BROMUS pinnatus.

Spiked Heath Brome-grafs.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Spikeletoblong, 2-ranked.

Awn from below the top. Inner bufk fringed.

Spec. Char. Spike simple, erect, two-ranked. Spikelets sessile, roundish. Awns shorter than their husk. Leaves almost naked.

Syn. Bromus pinnatus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 115. Tr. of Linn. Soc. v. 4. 301. Sm. Fl. Brit. 137. Hudj. ed. 1. 41. Hull. 26.

Festuca pinnata. Huds. 48. Relb. 44. Sibtb. 46. Abbot. 22. Dicks. H. Sicc. fasc. 13. 8.

Gramen spicâ Brizæ majus. Raii Syn. 392.

THIS grass is sound on open commons or heaths in a freestone soil; not unfrequently in Yorkshire, Oxfordshire and Kent, but rarely elsewhere. It is perennial, and slowers in July. Many botanists have united it with the preceding; but its greater smoothness, firmness and rigidity, indeed its whok aspect, seem to authorize a specific distinction.





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STIPA pennata.

Feather-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, single-flowered. Outer valve of the Corolla terminated by a very long arm, jointed at the base.

SPEC. CHAR. Awns feathery.

SYN. Stipa pennata. Linn. Sp. Pl. 115. Sm. Fl. Brit. 138. Huds. 29. With. 163. Hull. 17.

Gramen sparteum pennatum. Dill. in Raii Syn. 393.

THIS is one of the few plants admitted, with a mark of doubt, into the Fl. Brit. on the authority of books alone. The accurate Dr. Richardson and Mr. Lawson informed Dillenius they had found the Feather-grass on lime-stone rocks, overhanging a little valley called Long Sleadale, Westmoreland. They could not be mistaken as to its identity; and though it has often since been sought there in vain, it may, like Ligusticum cornubiense, reward the searches of some future botanist. There being no coloured figure of it extant, added to its great elegance, is a sufficient motive for its publication





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AVENA fatua.

Wild Oat, or Haver.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing several flores. Outer valve of the corolla bearing a twisted awn on its back.

Spec. Char. Panicle erect. Flowers drooping. Calyx containing about three florets, which are hairy at the lower part, all awned, and ribless.

Syn. Avena fatua. Linn. Sp. Pl. 118. Sm. Fl. Brit. 139.
 Huds. 52. With. 164. Hull. ed. 2. 34. Relh. 42.
 Sibth. 49. Abbot. 24. Winch. v. 1. 12. Mart.
 Rust. t. 81. Knapp. t. 93. Leers. 42. t. 9. f. 4.
 Ægilops quibusdam, aristis recurvis, seu Avena pilos.
 Raii Syn. 389.

A PERNICIOUS weed in corn fields, especially among barley, flowering in July or August.

Root annual, with downy, somewhat whorled, fibres. Stem erect, simple, about a yard high, slightly leafy, very smooth. Leaves linear, spreading, ribbed, rough, occasionally hairy as well as their sheaths, which are thinner than the leaf itself, and generally smooth. Stipula obtuse, toothed and jagged. Panicle much branched, creet, the branches half whorled,







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AVENA strigosa. Bristle-pointed Oat.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing several florets.

 Outer valve of the corolla bearing a twisted awn on its back.
- Spec. Char. Panicle oblong, its branches pointing one way. Florets two in each calyx; their outer valves tipped with a double bristle.
- Syn. Avena strigosa. Schreb. Lips. 52. Retz. Ors. fasc. 1. 11. With. 166. Hull. 26. Willden. Sp. Pl. v. 1. 446. Host. Gram. v. 2. 41. t. 56.

ALTHOUGH Dr. Withering had admitted this on the list of British plants, I left it out of the *Flora Britannica*, conceiving his specimen to have sprung from some accidental importation of foreign seed. Since that time, however, we have had such authentic information from Mr. Brodie, the Rev. H. Davies, Mr. Robson, Mr. E. Forster, and other friends,







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AVENA pubescens. Downy Oat-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing several florets.

Outer valve of the corolla bearing a twisted awn on its back.

Spec. Char. Panicle erect, nearly simple. Calyx containing about three florets. Receptacles bearded.

Leaves flat, downy.

Syn. Avena pubescens. Linn. Sp. Pl. 1665. Sm. Fl.
 Brit. 140. Huds. 52. With. 165. Hull. 26.
 Relh. 42. Sibth. 49. Abbot. 24. Lightf. 105.
 Knapp, t. 90.

A. sesquitertia. Linn. Mant. 1. 34; the syn. of

Scheuchzer erroneous.

Gramen avenaceum 7, seu glabrum (potius hirsutum) paniculâ purpuro-argenteâ splendente. Raii Syn. 406. t. 21. f. 2.

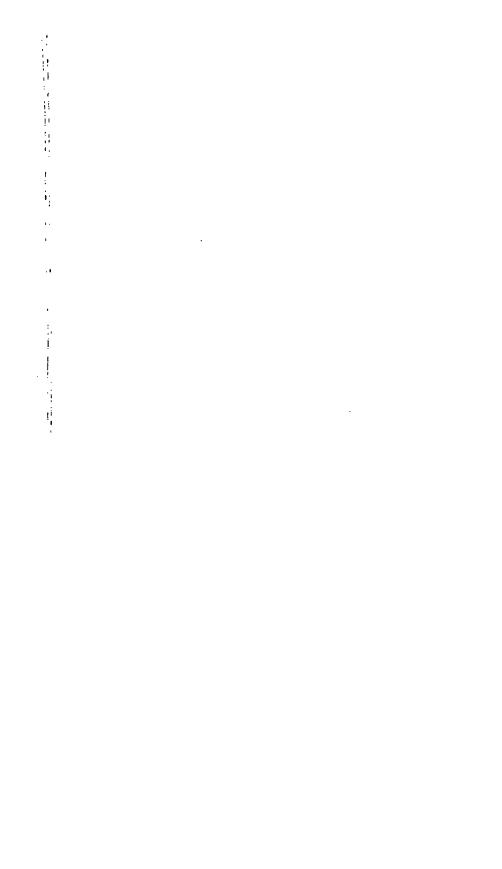
A NATIVE of limestone or chalky hills and pastures, in which situations it is not uncommon, flowering in June. Mr. W. Borrer sent it from Sussex.

Root perennial, somewhat creeping. Stem a foot or two in height, erect, straight, unbranched, smooth, leafy. Leaves flat, obtuse, spreading, short, except when luxuriant; clothed on both sides, as are also the sheaths of the lower ones, with soft spreading hairs. Stipula acute, triangular. Panicle upright, scarcely subdivided, but bearing 3 or 4 flowerstalks (which are rough to the touch) at each subdivision. Spikekts purplish, generally containing 2 perfect florets and an abortive one, on a long bearded stalk. Summit of the glumes shining and transparent. Awns twice as long as the calyx, brown, rough and twisted.

It is of no use in husbandry.



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AVENA pratensis.

Narrow-leaved Oat-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

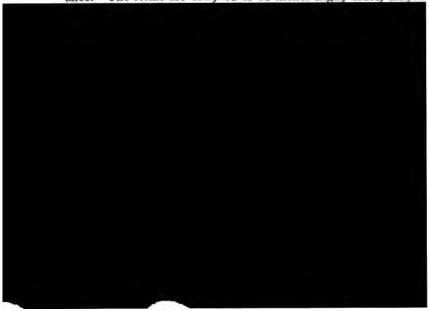
- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing several florets. Outer valve of the corolla bearing a twisted awn on its back.
- Spec. Char. Spike erect. Calyx containing about five florets. Receptacles hairy. Leaves involute, finely serrated, naked.
- Syn. Avena pratensis. Linn. Sp. Pl. 119. Sm. Fl. Brit. 141. Huds. 52. With. 165. Hull. 26. Relh. 42. Sibth. 49. Abbot. 24. Lightf. 105.

A. bromoides. Linn. Sp. Pl. 1666.

Gramen avenaceum montanum, spicâ simplici, aristis recurvis. Raii Syn. 405. t. 21. f. 1.

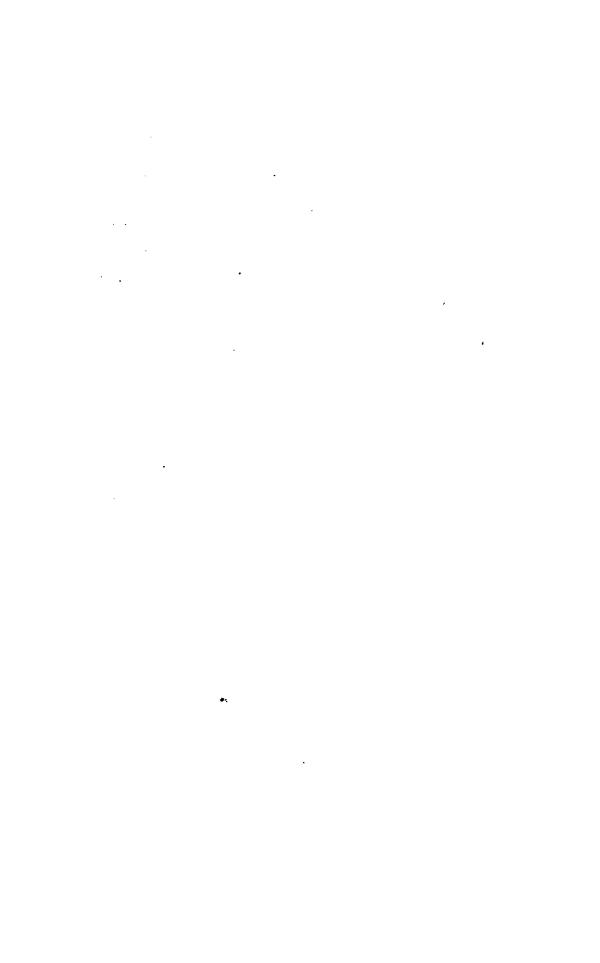
A NATIVE of dry chalky or limestone pastures and heaths, where it flowers in July.

Root perennial, fibrous, downy, bearing many tufts of rigid, smooth, linear leaves, whose edges are rolled in, and finely serrated, and whose broad sheathing bases are of long continuance. The stems are few, 12 or 18 inches high, erect, stiff.





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AVENA planiculmis. Flat-strawed Oat-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing several florets.

Outer valve of the corolla bearing a twisted awn
on its back.

Spec. Char. Panicle erect. Calyx containing about five florets. Receptacles bearded upwards. Leaves naked, finely serrated, with rough sheaths. Stem compressed.

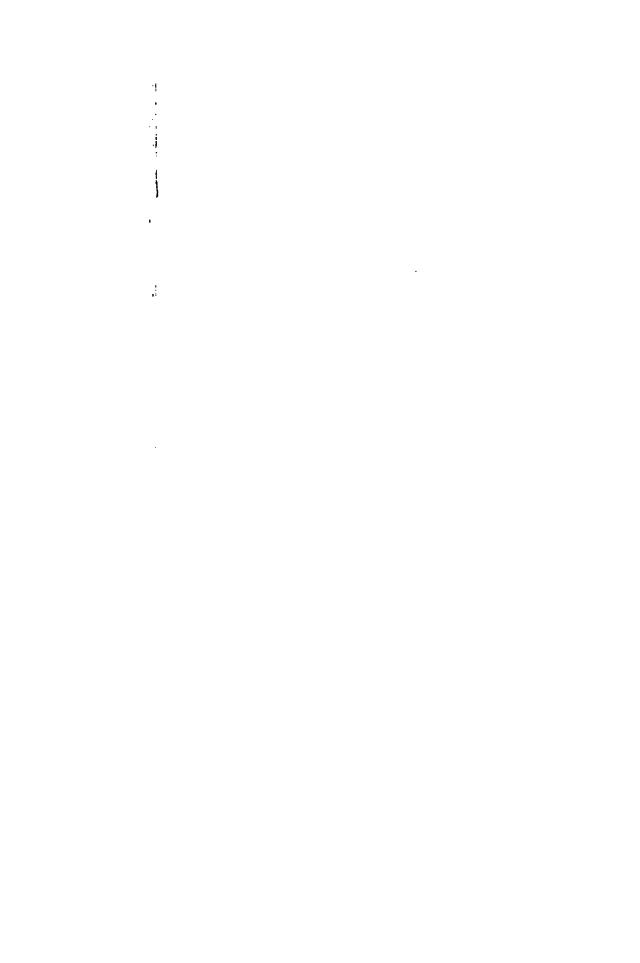
SYN. Avena planiculmis. Schrad. Germ. v. 1. 581. t. 6. f. 2.

DISCOVERED in 1807, by Mr. G. Don, on rocks upon the summits of the highest mountains of Clova, Angusshire. I had but just sent a description of this grass to the Linnean Society, by the name of A. alpina, when the 1st vol. of Prof. Schrader's Flora Germanica, printed so long ago as 1806, came to my hands. I greet with pleasure this excellent fellow-labourer in European botany, who is no compiler nor copyist, but an original observer, and whose Flora is justly announced by his countrymen as one of the very best that

has ever appeared.

His long description answers in almost every minutest point to our plant, except that, according to Mr. Don, our roots are tufted, not creeping; nor can the branches of the panicle be called "capillacei." This species most agrees, in general aspect, with A. pubescens, t. 1640, but is larger in every part. The leaves are never clothed with soft hairs, nor are their edges even, but finely serrated as in pratensis, t. 1204, from which they differ in their rough, greatly clongated sheaths. The flowers differ from both those species, not only in their much greater size, but in the hairiness of their partial stalk being crowded up into a very dense pencillike tuft, under each floret, not dispersed over the whole stalk. The roots are perennial, with strong downy fibres. Stem from 2 to 3 feet high, according to Schrader's remark compressed, as well as the sheaths, which I had supposed owing to pressure in drying. Panicle spreading while in full flower only. Glumes shining, and partly pellucid. Awns strong, twice as long as the florets.





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AVENA flavescens. Yellow Oat-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, containing feveral florets. Outer valve of the corolla bearing a twifted awn on its back.
- Spec. Char. Panicle much branched, loofe. Calyx unequal, containing about three florets. Receptacle hairy. Leaves flat, a little downy.
- Syn. Avena flavescens. Linn. Sp. Pl. 118. Sm. Fl. Brit. 142. Huds. 53. With. 165. Hull. 26. Relh. 51. Sibib. 49. Abbot. 25. Curt. Lond. fusc. 3. t. 5.
 - Gramen avenaceum pratense elatius, paniculâ slavescente, locustis parvis. Raii Syn. 407.

COMMON in chalky or limestone countries; sometimes on dry sandy soils, where the shining yellow of the panicle is seen in its greatest perfection. It is a perennial grass, flowering in July.

Root creeping, especially when luxuriant. Stems erect, curved at the bottom, slender, about a foot high, leafy, with about 3 joints. Leaves narrow, taper-pointed, more or less downy, especially their sheaths; and the joints of the stem are often furnished underneath with a circle of deflexed hairs.





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MANDRIA Digynia.

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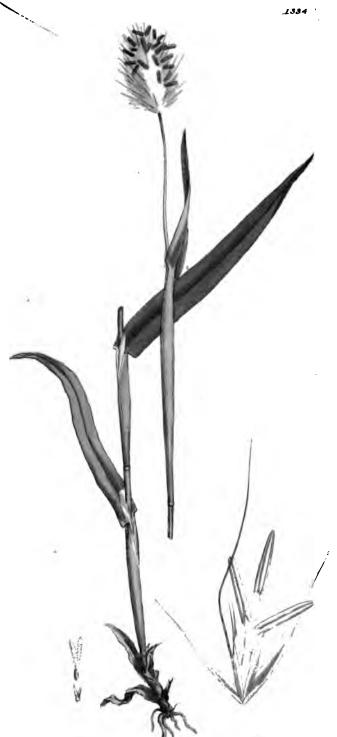
curos spica rotundiore. Moris. sect. 8. t. 4. f. 1.

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If your in sandy open places, flowering in June, and remains to me time afterwards bleaching in the wind.

The annual root consists of a few thick downy fibres. Stem politary, various in beight and thickness, erect, leafy, jointed, round, very smooth. Leaves lanceolate, ovate at the base, flat, soft and downy, with very long, inflated, downy sheaths. Stipula oblong. Spike at first erect, but most commonly driven



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LAGURUS ovatus.

Hare's-tail-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

Cal. of 2 valves, single-flowered, with GEN. CHAR. feathery awns. Outer valve of the corolla with 2 terminal awns, and a dorsal twisted one.

SPEC. CHAR.

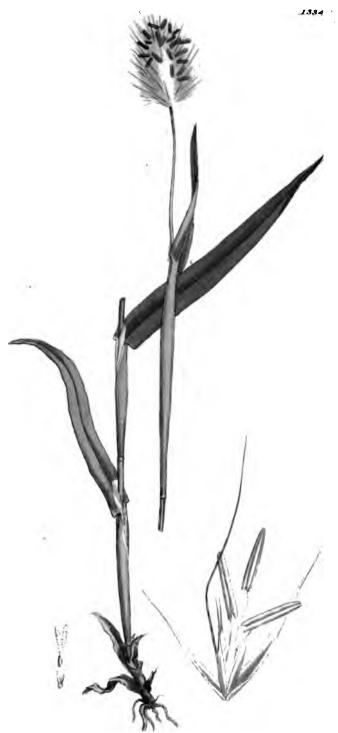
Linn. Sp. Pl. 119. Syn. Lagurus ovatus. Brit. 143. With. 166. Hull. 17. Dicks. H. Sicc. fasc. 7. 1.

Alopecuros spicà rotundiore. Moris. sect. 8. t. 4. f. 1.

WE have received this from Guernsey. It was first observed there by Mr. Gosselin, who sent specimens to Mr. Dickson. It grows in sandy open places, flowering in June, and remains for some time afterwards bleaching in the wind.

The annual root consists of a few thick downy fibres. Stem solitary, various in height and thickness, erect, leafy, jointed, round, very smooth. Leaves lanceolate, ovate at the base,

flat, soft and downy, with very long, inflated, downer sheaths



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ARUNDO Phragmites.

Common Reed.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Florets furrounded with long down.

Spec. Char. Calyx containing five florets. Panicle loofe.

SYN. Arundo Phragmites. Linn. Sp. Pl. 120. Hudf. Fl. An. 53. With. Bot. Arr. 116. Relb. Cant. 51. Sibib. Ox. 50.

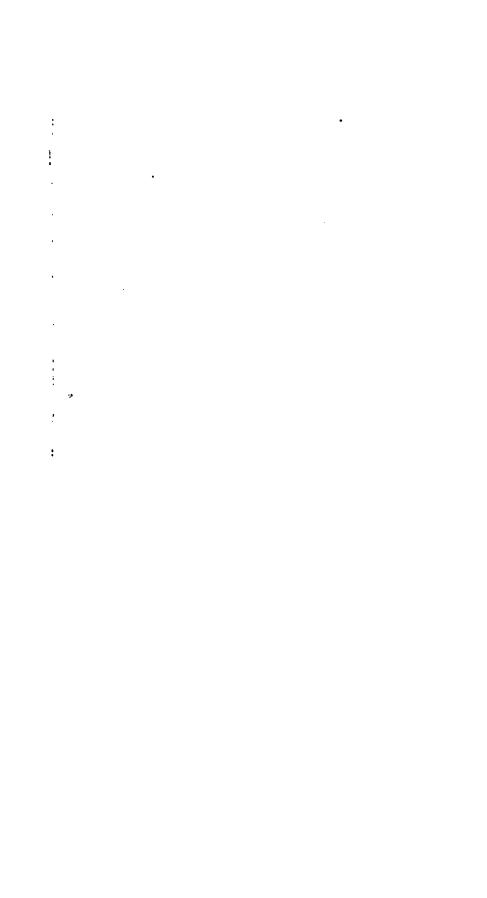
A. vallatoria. Raii Syn. 401.

NOTHING can be more common than the reed here reprefented, in ditches, ponds, and the margins of rivers, where it flowers in the middle of summer, after which its waving slivery plumes, consisting of long down remaining in the brown husks of the calyx, continue to ornament many a dreary fen throughout the autumn, lifting their heads high above all other herbage, till their dry stalks are cut for thatching or some such use. They are for no purpose more useful, than to make warm sheltered

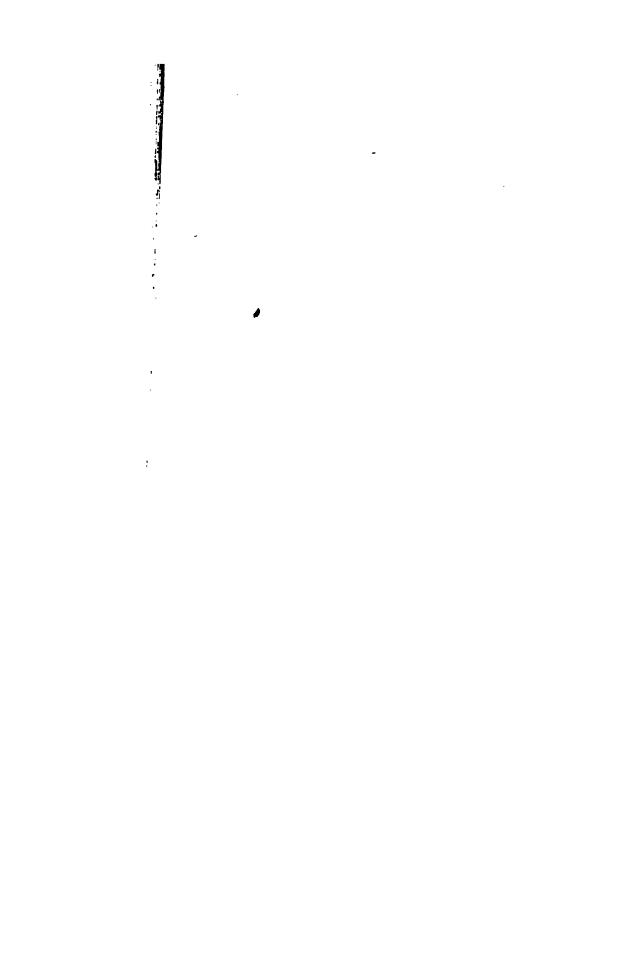
enclosures for a kitchen garden.

The roots are perennial, running far into the mud. Straws annual, about 6 feet high, erect, round, jointed, very smooth, leafy. Leaves alternate, long, lanceolate, tapering to a fine point, striated, smoother and paler beneath, their edges a little rough; their bases sheathing the straw and each other, and crowned with an extremely short jagged stipula, accompanied on each side by a small portion of silky down. Panicle nearly erect when in slower, purplish, but after impregnation its branches become more loose and drooping. The calyx-valves are unequal, containing about sive slowers (sometimes sewer) placed in two ranks upon a small stalk. Corolla of two valves, one of them very long and pointed, to the base of which is attached externally a tust of long soft slender hairs, which are lengthened after slowering, and, spreading in every direction, give the seathery appearance above mentioned. The stamina are very slender. Styles reslexed, with thick tusted stigmas.









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ARUNDO Calamagrostis. Small Reed.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Florets surrounded with long down.

Spec. Char. Calyx single-flowered, longer than the corolla. Panicle erect, diffuse. Flowers scattered, erect. Awn terminal, short. Down longer than the corolla.

SYN. Arundo Calamagrostis. Linn. Sp. Pl. 121.
Sm. Fl. Brit. 146. Hull. ed. 2. 35. Relh. 44.
Knapp. t. 96. Fl. Dan. t. 280. Schrad. Germ.
v. 1. 214. t. 4. f. 4. Ehrh. Calam. 84.

A. epigejos. Huds. 54.

Calamagrostis epigejos. With. 123.

C. minor, glumis ruffis et viridibus. Raii Syn. 401.

NATIVE of moist woods, and fenny places, flowering early in July. It is rather an uncommon plant, chiefly noticed hitherto in the counties of Norfolk, Cambridge, and Lincoln.

Root fibrous, or slightly creeping, perennial. Stems erect, 3 or 4 feet high, round, very smooth, much more slender than in A. Phragmites or epigejos, leafy, sometimes branched. Leaves linear, pointed, narrow, bright green, roughish beneath, sometimes a little hairy above. Sheaths long, close. Stipula lanceolate, obtuse, often torn, smooth, decurrent. Panicle erect, much branched, loosely spreading. Flowers scattered, erect, very numerous, on capillary rough stalks. Calyx-valves bright brown or purplish, nearly equal, lanceolate, pointed, keeled, roughish, slightly ribbed, much longer than the corolla, whose valves are white, unequal, torn at the top, the larger bearing a minute awn between its terminal segments. The down is longer than the corolla, but scarcely so long as the calyx.

This is certainly the Linnsean A. Calamagnostis, and what we described in our v. 6. p. 403, though a wrong figure was there annexed to the description, an error which we shall cos-

rect by a new page of letterpress to t. 403.



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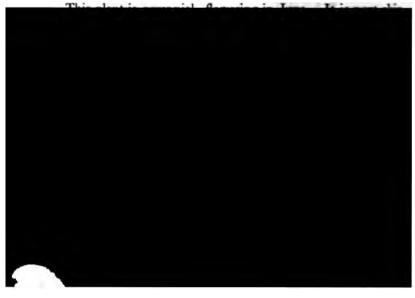
ARUNDO stricta. Smallest Close Reed.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

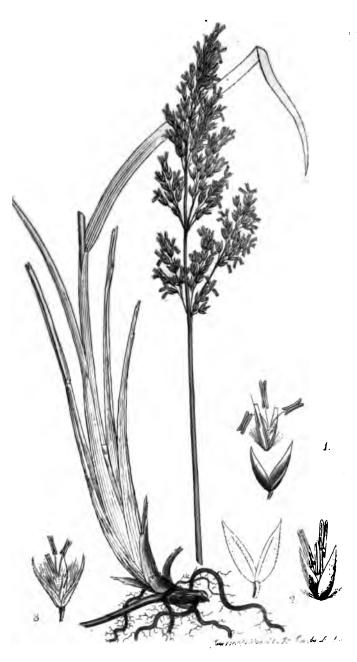
- GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves. Florets surrounded with long down.
- Spec. Char. Calyx single-flowered, full as long as the corolla. Panicle erect, close. Flowers scattered, erect, with a dorsal awn. Down shorter than the corolla. Stipula very short.
- Syn. Arundo stricta. Schrad. Germ. v. 1. 215. t. 4. f. 5.

A. neglecta. Ehrh. Calam. 118.

DISCOVERED by Mr. G. Don, in June 1807, in a mark called the White Mire, a mile from Forfar. We had but just communicated this discovery to the Linnman Society, under Ehrhart's name neglecta, when we received Dr. Schrader's 1st vol. of his valuable Flora, and we now prefer the name he had, unknown to us, adopted from a publication of Timm which we have never seen.







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ARUNDO arenaria.

Sea Reed, or Marram.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of two valves. Florets furrounded with long down.

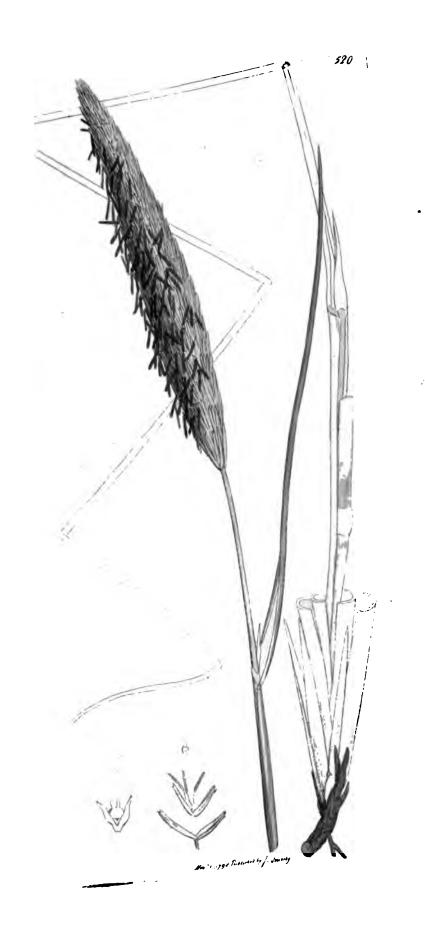
Spec. Char. Calyx fingle-flowered, longer than the corolla. Panicle spiked. Flowers erect, beardless. Leaves involute, pungent.

SYN. Arundo arenaria. Linn. Sp. Pl. 121. Huds. 54.
Mart. F. Rust. t. 32. Dicks. H. Sicc. fasc. 12.5.
Calamagrostis arenaria. With. 123.

Gramen sparteum spicatum, foliis mucronatis longioribus, vel spica secalina. Raii Syn. 393.

REQUENT on the sea-shores in loose blowing sand, to which it seems intended by Nature to give stability, and thus to raise a bulwark against the encroachments of the waves. On this account its growth is much encouraged on the coasts of Norsolk, where it is consounded with Elymus arenarius, and even Carex arenaria, under the name of Marram, and acts of parliament have been made for its preservation. It slowers in July.







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LOLIUM perenne.

Perennial Darnel, or Rye-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of one husk, fixed, many-flowered. Spec. Char. Flowers beardless. The little spikes compressed, longer than the calyx.

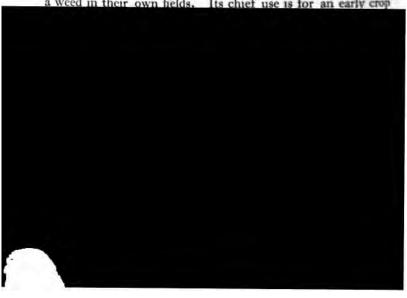
Syn. Lolium perenne. Linn. Sp. Pl. 122. Huds. Fl.

An. 55. With. Bot. Arr. 120. Relh. Cant. 52.

Sibth. Ox. 50. Leers Herb. 47. t. 12. f. 1.

Gramen loliaceum angustiore folio et spica. Raii Syn. 395.

THIS very common species of grass is well known to the farmer by the name of Rye-grass, Ray-grass, or Crap. Its agricultural merits were first discovered in Norfolk, and from thence the seeds have been distributed throughout the kingdom, those who bought them little suspecting the plant was alresdy a weed in their own fields. Its chief use is for an early crop





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LOLIUM temulentum.

Bearded Darnel.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 1 valve, fixed, many-flowered. Florets in 2 ranks.

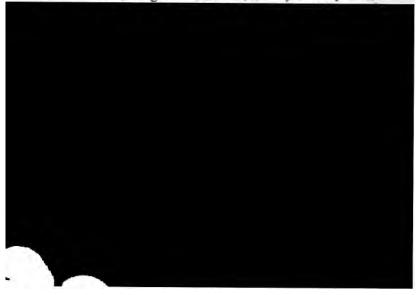
SPEC. CHAR. Flowers bearded. Spikelets thorter than the calyx. Florets elliptical. Stem rough in the upper part.

Syn. Lolium temulentum. Linn. Sp. Pl. 122. Sm. Fl. Brit. 150. With. 168. Hull. 27. Relb. 45. Abbot. 26.

L. album. Raii Syn. 395.

AN annual weed, found occasionally in fields among wheat, barley or flax, coming to perfection in July.

The root is formed of a few short downy sibres. Stem one or more, crect, two seet high, round, striated, leasy; smooth and shining below; rough upwards. Leaves lanceolate, spreading, grass-green, ribbed, rough above. Their sheaths are also roughish. Stipula short, blunt, crenate. Spike long and upright, with an angular rough stalk. Spikelets alternate; in 2 ranks, a little tumid. Calyx of one, linear, statish, beardless husk, rough to the touch, mostly accompanied, in





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LOLIUM arvense.

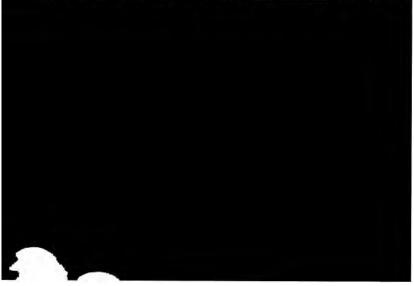
Annual Beardless Darnel.

TRIANDRIA Digysia.

- Gin. Char. Cal. of 1 valve, fixed, many-flowered.

 Florets in 2 ranks.
- SPEC. CHAR. Flowers almost beardless. Spikeless as long as the calyx. Florets elliptical. Stem very smooth.
- Syn. Lolium arvense. With. 168. Sm. Fl. Brit. 151. Hull. 27. Rell. 46.
 - L. temulentum. Huds. 55.

THIS smaller species of Annual Darnel is not, we believe, more frequent than the last, with which Linnaeus consounded it. The specific character given by Mr. Hudson convinces us this was his L. temulentum. We have received it from Walthamstow by favour of Mr. E. Forster, who has in some spikelets observed 2, or even 3, small inner valves to its calyz. Mr. Groult found it at Kennington without any such appearance.





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ROTBOLLIA incurvata.

Sea Hard-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. fixed, mostly single-flowered, simple, or divided into 2 parts. Flowers ranged alternately on a jointed common stalk.

Spec. Char. Spike round, awl-shaped. Calyx-glume awl-shaped, divided, close pressed to the stalk.

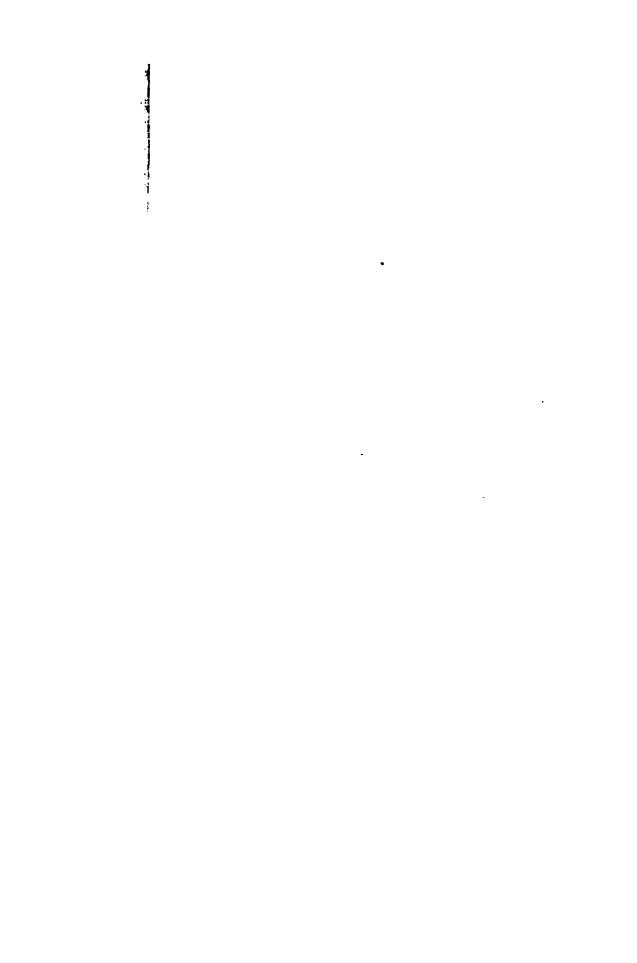
SYN. Rotbollia incurvata. Linn. Suppl. 114. Sm. Fl. Brit. 151. With. 169. Hull. 29. Relb. Suppl. 2.8. Aegilops incurvata. Linn. Sp. Pl. 1490. Huds. 441. Gramen parvum marinum, spicâ loliaceâ. Raii Syn. 395.

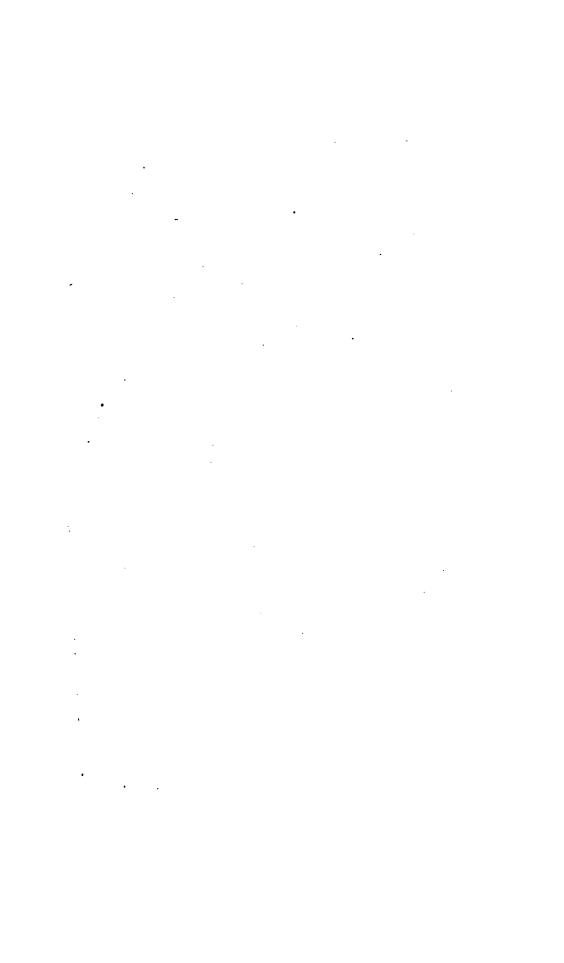
FOUND on the fea coast and in falt marshes in several parts of the kingdom, slowering in August and September.

Root fibrous, annual. Stems numerous, procumbent in their lower part, branched, jointed and bent, very smooth, leafy. Leaves linear, pointed, recurved, rough on the edges and upper side; their sheaths a little inflated, striated, smooth, crowned by a short blunt stipula. Spikes terminal, solitary, crest, a









ELYMUS arenarius. Upright Sea Lyme-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. lateral, aggregate, of 2 valves, containing (mostly) several flowers.

Spec. Char. Spike upright, close. Calyx lanceolate, the length of the spikelets. Leaves with a spinous point.

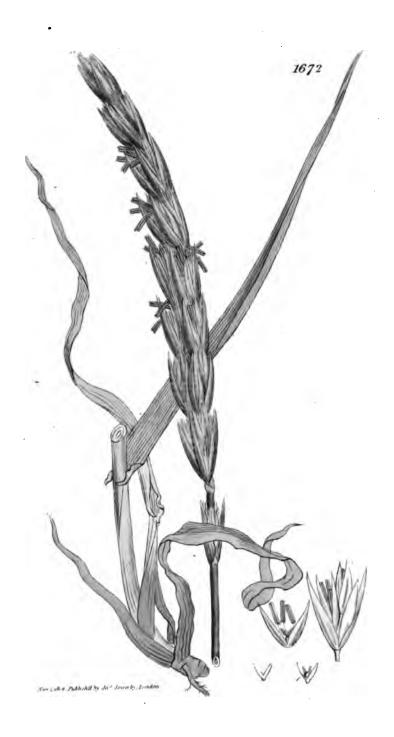
SYN. Elymus arenarius. Linn. Sp. Pl. 122. Sm. Fl. Brit. 152. Huds. 56. With. 170. Hull. 27. Mart. Rust. t. 31. Knapp, t. 108.

Spartum herba 4 Batavicum. Clus. Hist. 2. 221.

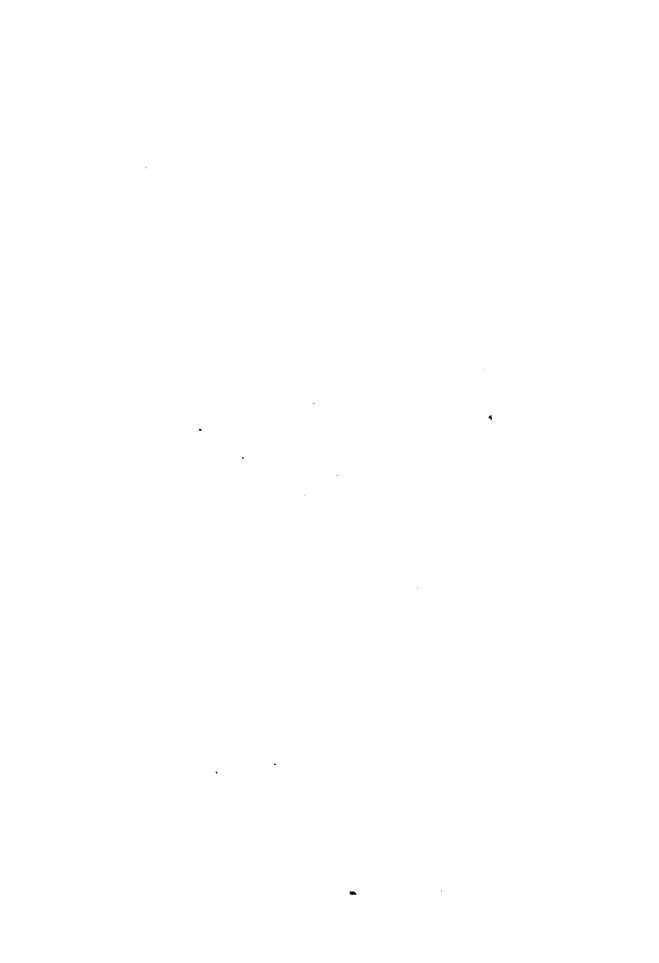
ONE of the most valuable creeping-rooted grasses for binding the loose sand on the sea shore, in which its roots run to a very great extent. See p. 520 and 928 for remarks on this

subject.

Elymus arenarius is found on the sandy coasts of Britain in various places, but does not often produce spikes. On the north side of Norfolk, at Wells, Mundesley, &c. it is abundant. Roots brought from thence by Mr. Crowe many years ago, and planted on a gravelly bank at Lakenham, have greatly increased, and blossom more or less plentifully every year in July. From these our specimen was procured. The stem is 3 or 4 feet high, erect, strong, round, very smooth, striated, most leafy at the base. Leaves hard and rigid, long, involute, spinous-pointed, very glaucous; marked on the upper side with strong rough furrows; smooth beneath. Stipula very short, by which the plant may at any time be distinguished from Arundo arenaria. Spike erect, dense, glaucous, not half so long as that of E. geniculatus, t. 1586, from which it is also known by the greater proportionable breadth of its calyxvalves, which do not exceed the spikelets in length, and moreover, as Mr. Sowerby observes, by not having the common stalk of its spike bordered or winged as in that species.



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ELYMUS geniculatus. Pendulous Sea Lyme-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. lateral, aggregate, of 2 valves, containing (mostly) several flowers.

Spec. Char. Spike bent perpendicularly downward, loose. Calyx bristle-shaped, spreading, longer than the spikelets. Leaves with a spinous point.

SYN. Elymus geniculatus. Curt. Brit. Grasses, 46. Sm. Fl. Brit. 153. Knapp, t. 109.

Elymus. Linn. Am. Acad. v. 7. 192. t. 2. f. 5. With. v. 1. 134. t. 2. f. 26.

DISCOVERED in marshes near Gravesend by Mr. Dickson. Mr. Curtis first made it known to the botanical world as distinct from E. arenarius, for even Linnæus seems to have confounded them. Our specimen grew in the Liverpool garden. July is the season of its flowering.

Root perennial, downy. Herb glaucous. Leaves hard and rigid, long, narrow, involute, furrowed above, smooth beneath, ending in a sharp spine. Stipula very short. Stem round, very smooth, 3 or 4 feet high, ending in a simple lax spike, a foot and half or 2 feet in length, remarkable for being, in the course of its flowering, bent down at an acute angle, about the second or third spikelet, and so becoming perfectly pendulous, nor can it be unbent without breaking. Calyx-glumes very narrow and tapering, smooth, commonly about half as long again as the spikelets they enfold, each of which consists of 3 or 4 alternate downy florets, standing on a stalk which is sometimes elongated and naked.



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ELYMUS europæus.

Wood Lyme-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. lateral, aggregate, of 2 valves, containing (mostly) several flowers.

SPEC. CHAR. Spike erect. Spikelets two-flowered, bearded. Calvx without furrows.

Syn. Elymus europæus. Linn. Mant. 35. Sm. Fl. Brit. 154. With. 170. Hull. 27. Sibth. 51.

Hordeum sylvaticum. Huds. 57. Abbot. 27. Mart. Rust. t. 45.

Gramen secalinum majus sylvaticum. Raii Syn. 392.

A NATIVE of woods and thickets on a chalky soil. We have received it from Yorkshire and other parts of England, flowering in June.

Root perennial, fibrous, rather tufted, downy. Stems about 2 feet high, erect, straight, simple, leafy; naked, smooth and striated above. Leaves lanceolate, sharp-pointed, flat, ribbed, broadish, rough; their sheaths ribbed, more or less rough with deflexed hairs. Stipula very short, crenate. Spike erect, or





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Wall, or Mouse Barley.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Calyx lateral, of 2 valves, containing a single floret, and growing 3 together.

SPEC. CHAR. Lateral flowers male, awned. Calyxvalves of the intermediate flower lanceolate, fringed. SYN. Hordeum murinum. Linn. Sp. Pl. 126. Sm. Fl.

Brit. 155. Huds. 56. With. 171. Hull. 28. ed. 2. 37. Relh. 46. Sibth. 51. Abbot. 26. Curt. Lond. fasc. 5. t. 9. Mart. Rust. t. 43. Knapp. t. 104. Dicks. H. Sicc. fasc. 13. 10. Sm. Rel. Rudb. 12. f. 2.

Gramen secalinum et Secale sylvestre. Raii Syn. 391.

ONE of the most common of grasses by way-sides under walls, and in waste ground among rubbish, flowering all summer long.

Root annual, fibrous, whitish. Stems numerous, a foot or thereabouts in length, spreading in all directions at their base, but bent at their joints and ascending, smooth, leafy, round. Leaves loosely spreading, acute, rough, of a brightish green, with short stipulas, and smooth, slightly inflated,





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HORDEUM pratense.

Meadow Barley.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Calyx lateral, of 2 valves, containing a single flower, and growing 3 together.

SPEC. CHAR. Lateral flowers abortive, aristated. Calyx-valves bristle-shaped, rough.

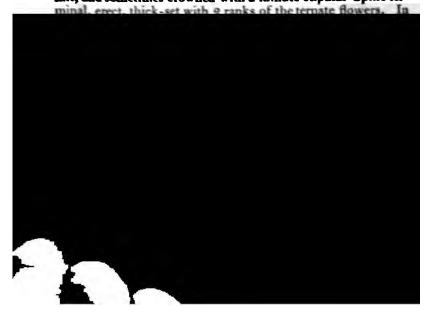
Syn. Hordeum pratense. Huds. Fl. An. 56. With. Bot. Arr. 126. Rell. Cant. 54. Sibth. Ox. 51. Mart. Fl. Rust. t. 106.

H. nodosum. Linn. Sp. Pl. 126.

H. murinum \beta. ibid.

Gramen secalinum. Ger. em. 29.º Raii Syn. 392.

A VERY common grass in meadows and pastures that are a little moist, as in the north part of Hyde Park, flowering in June. Root perennial, fibrous, but often becoming knotty in a situation whose degree of moisture is fluctuating, as happens also to Phleum pratense. Straw 18 inches or 2 feet high, erect, slender, smooth, bearing 3 or 4 leaves, but none near the top. Leaves narrow, pointed, roughish, often hairy on the upper side, having a long sheathing striated base, brown and contracted at its summit, and sometimes crowned with a minute stipula. Spike ter-





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HORDEUM maritimum.

Sea Barley. Squirrel-tail Grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Calyx lateral, of 2 valves, containing a single flower, and growing 3 together.

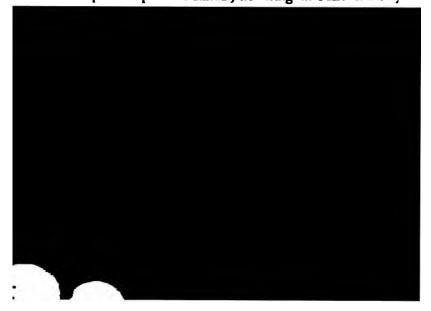
Spec. Char. Lateral florets male, with shorter awas; their inner husk half-ovate.

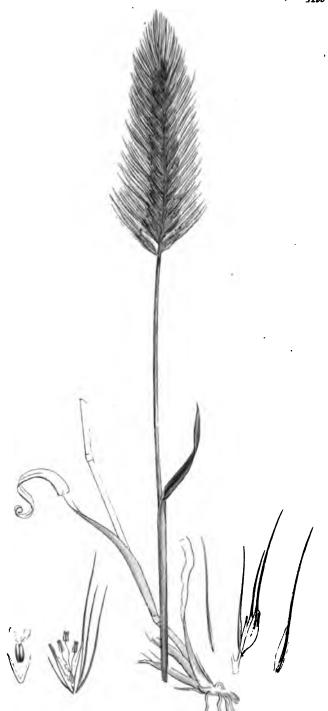
SYN. Hordeum maritimum. Sm. Fl. Brit. 156. With. 172. Hull. 28, Relh. 47. Mart. Rust. t. 44.

H. marinum. *Huds.* 57. *Dicks. H. Sicc. fasc.* 5. 4. Gramen secalinum palustre et maritimum. *Raii Syn.* 392.

HUDSON has very clearly distinguished this grass, which is confined to pastures near the sea, from the H. murinum, so common every where by road-sides and path-ways. We cannot therefore but wonder at their being confounded in the Flora Londinensis, where every thing related of the Squirrel-tail Grass under H. murinum, belongs to the maritimum.

The present species is annual, flowering in June and July.





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TRITICUM junceum.

Sea Rushy Wheat-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cel. of 2 valves, folitary, many-flowered, upon a zigzag toothed rachis.

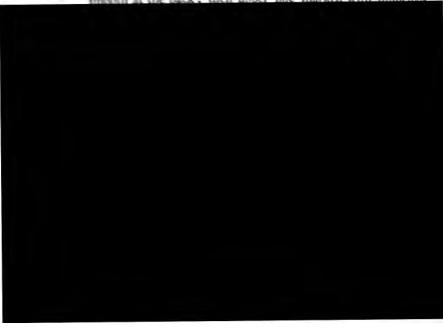
SPEC. CHAR. Calvx blunt, five-flowered. Leaves rolled inward, sharp-pointed.

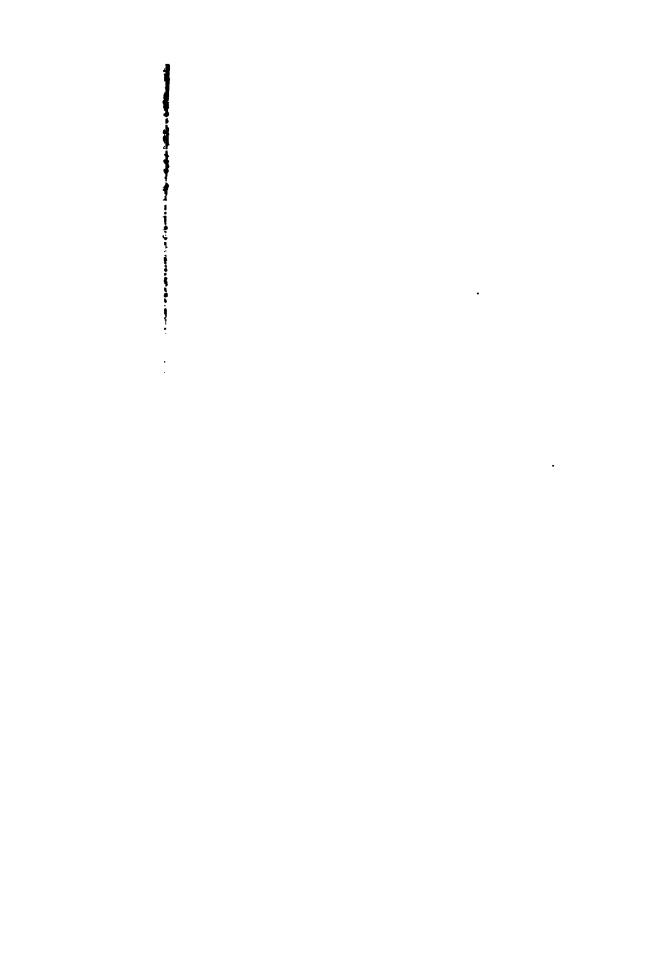
STN. Triticum junceum. Linn. Sp. Pl. 128. Sm. Fl. Brit. 127. Hudf. 58. With. 173. Hull. 28. Dicki. H. Siec. fafe. 6. 9.

Gramen maritimum, spica loliacea, soliis pungentibus, nottras. Dill. in Raii Syn. 391.

NOT uncommon in the loose sand of the sea-coast, which its long tough creeping roots, throwing out numerous woolly sibres, help to confine and keep stationary; to which purpose this grass co-operates with Carex arenaria, Elymus arenarius, and Frinze ratra. It flowers in July.

The whole plant is very glaucous; the lower part of the frem is however of a more or less vivid violet hue, and very smooth or thining. Leaves rigid and sharply pungent, perfectly





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TRITICUM repens.

Greeping Wheat-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

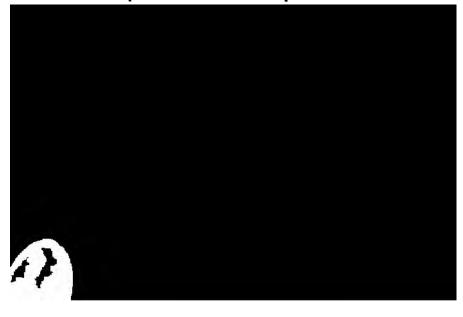
GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, folitary, many-flowered, upon a zigzag toothed rachis.

SPEC. CHAR. Calyx awl-shaped, many-nerved, siveflowered. Florets sharp-pointed. Leaves slat. Root creeping.

SYN. Triticum repens. Linn. Sp. Pl. 128. Sm. Fl. Brit. 158. Huss. 57. With. 173. Hull. 28. Relb. 55. Sirth. 52. Abbot. 27. Mart. Fl. Rust. t. 124.

Gramen spica triticea repens vulgare, caninum dictum. Raii Syn. 390.

THIS very troublesome and pernicious weed is but too well known to gardeners by the name of Couch, Quick, or Doggrass. It thrives in all kinds of cultivated ground, flowering from June to September, and infinuating its long creeping perennial roots so deeply into the earth as to be with great difficulty extirpated; for a very small piece of the root left behind, soon sprouts forth into a fresh crop. The sibres moreover are





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TRITICUM caninum.

Bearded Wheat-grass.

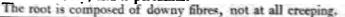
TRIANDRIA Digynia.

- Cal. of 2 valves, solitary, many-flowered, GEN. CHAR. upon a zigzag toothed rachis.
- SPEC. CHAR. Calyx pointed, four-flowered, with about five nerves. Florets awned. Leaves flat. Root fibrous.
- SYN. Triticum caninum. Huds, 58. Sm. Fl. Brit. 159. With. 173. Hull. 28. Relh. 48. Sibth. 52. Abbot. 27. Knapp. t. 112.

Elymus caninus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 124.

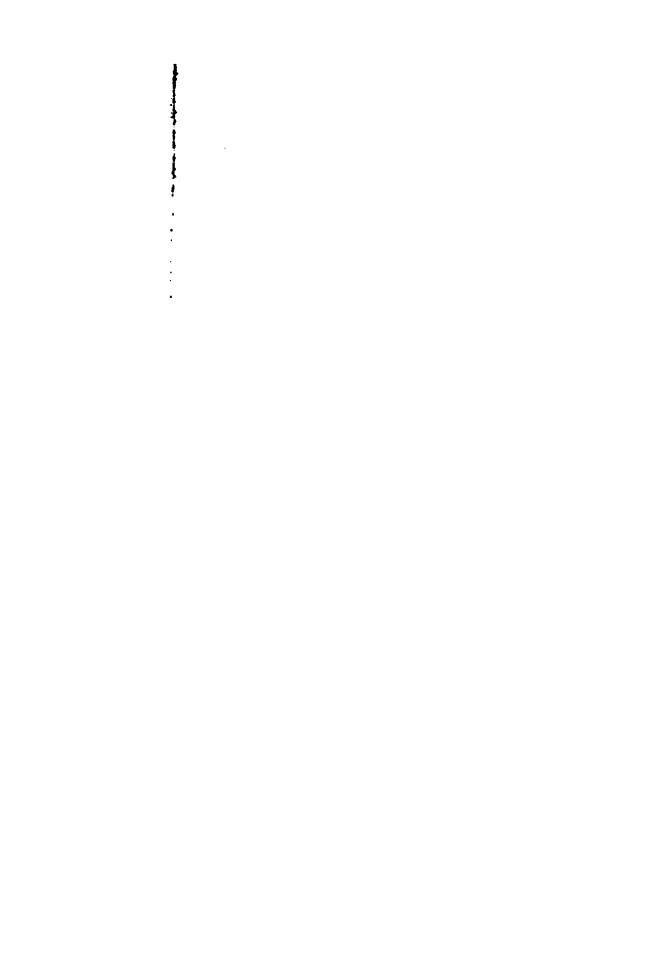
Gramen caninum aristatum, radice non repente, sylvaticum. Raii Syn. 390.

FOUND in woods and about hedges on a chalky or lime-stone soil, more generally than the Elymus europæus, 1. 1317. It flowers in July, and is perennial.









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TRITICUM cristatum. Crested Wheat-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 valves, solitary, many-flowered,

upon a zigzag toothed rachis.

Spec. Char. Calyx elliptical, awned, keeled, obscurely ribbed. Florers awned. Spikelets closely imbricated, two-ranked, depressed, straight. Stems simple.

Syn. Triticum cristatum. Schreb. Gram. fasc. 2. 12.

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Bromus cristatus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 115. Willd. Sp.

Pl. v. 1. 439. Festuca culmo spicato, spiculis multifloris. Gmd.

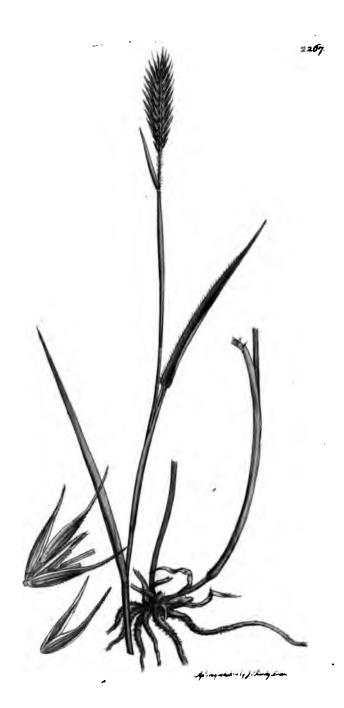
Sib. v. 1. 115. t. 23.

Gramen triticeum, spicâ latiore compactâ. Burb.

Cent. 1. 32. t. 50. f. 3.

WE cannot resist the temptation of adding a third new British grass to our present monthly publication, and especially so rare and little known a species as this, which Mr. G. Don discovered on steep banks and rocks, by the sea side, between Arbroath and Montrose, flowering very sparingly. Gmelin says it is common throughout Siberia. His own specimens







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TRITICUM loliaceum.

Spiked Sea Wheat-grass.

TRIANDRIA Digynia.

GEY. CHAR. Cal. of two valves, folitary, alternate, upon a zigzag rachis, and containing feveral obtuse, but pointed, florets.

SPEC. CHAR. Calyx many-flowered. Spike simple, compressed; spiculæ ovate, all leaning one way.

Syx. Triticum unilaterale. Ait: Hort. Kew. v. 1.

T. maritimum. With. Bot. Arr. 130.

Pon loliacea. Hudf. Fl. An. 43. With. Bot. Arr. 91. Relb. Cont. 37.

Gramen pumilum Loliaceo simile. Raii Syn. 395. Gr. loliaceum exile durius. Smith Rel. Rudh. 13.

GATHERED by the Rev. Mr. Bryant, on the northern coast of Norfolk. It occurs on the fandy beach in many parts of England, according to Ray and Hudson, flowering about Malammer.

The root is annual, confifting of long downy fibres as in most grantes that grow in pure fand. Several short rigid curved feens arise from it, clothed with sheathing leaves, which are involute when dry. A thort notched beardless stipula crowns the inside of their sheaths. The general spike is terminal,





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MONTIA fontana.

Water Chickweed, or Blinks.

TRIANDRIA Trigynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. of 2 leaves. Cor. of 1 irregular petal. Caps. with 1 cell, 3 valves, and 3 seeds.

Alsine parva palustris tricoccos portulacæ aquaticæ similis. Reii Nya. 352.

COMMON in small rills and plashy spots, especially on a gravelly sud, flowering in April and May.

The roce is annual, small and fibrous. Stem much branched from the very base, prostrate in the lower part, and (as we have observed respecting some other annual plants) frequently taking roce at the ioines. Leaves opposite, spatulate, entire. The were small, white, expanding at eleven o'clock for about an hour, but only in the brackest sunshine, and standing on clustered stakes about the brackets sunshine, and standing on clustered stakes about the brackets of the branches. Corolla in 5 un-







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HOLOSTEUM umbellatum.

Candiferni Chickweed.

TRIANDRIA Triguis.

GEN. CELE. Cal. five-leaved. Car. of five petals. Capitals one-celled, nearly cylindrical, burfting at the tro.

Seac. Czar. Flowers in umbels.

Syn. Hainterm ambelleren. Lien. Sp. Pl. 130. Wite. Su. Ar. 132. Rye's Elements (Appendix), 445. L. L. f. 4.

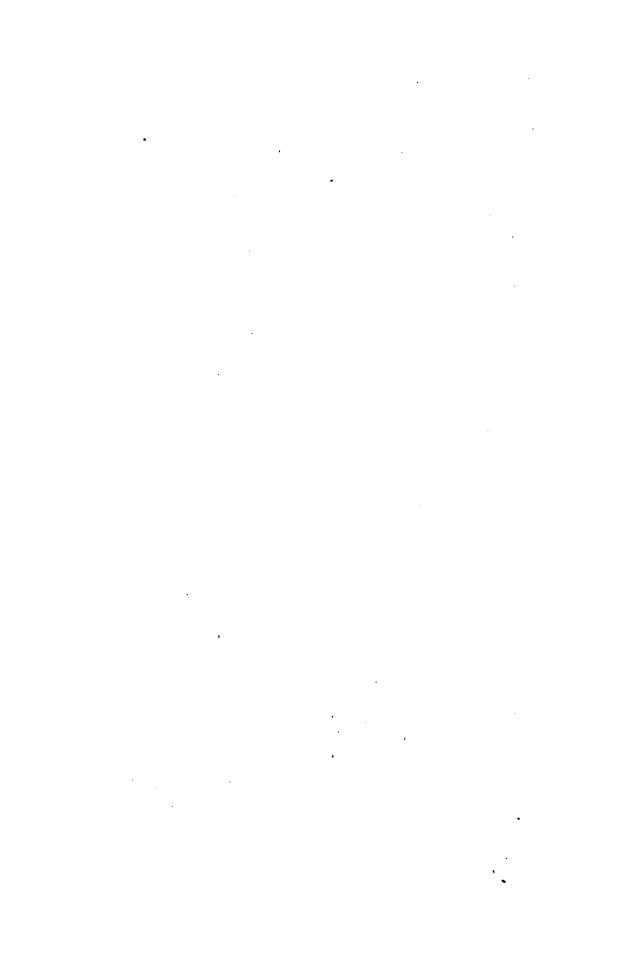
Certinen umbelleum. Hell. F. At. 201.

THIS plane was first Estowered in England by Mr. John Pinchierd, a most accurate and indefatigable botanist, who found it in the firing of 1755, on the walls of Norwich. We are informed it was a long time before this gentleman's discovery met with any credit, innee of the first English botanists militating this plane for Ceralisan semidecandrium. Mr. Rose however described and figured it, with its proper synonyms, a it his Elements of Botany, published in 1775; a work which has eminently contributed to explain and recommend the system and principles of Limners in this country. Soon afterwards Mr. Hubbit admirted it into the second edition of his









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POLYCARPON tetraphyllum.

Four-leaved All-feed.

TRIANDRIA Trigynia.

GEN. CHAR. Cal. 5-leaved. Petals 5, ovate, minute. Capf. of 1 cell and 3 valves. Seeds numerous.

SPEC. CHAR.

Syn. Polycarpon tetraphyllum. Linn. Sp. Pl. 131. Sm. Fl. Brit. 162. Huds. 60. With. 176. Hull. 30. Dicks. H. Sicc. sasc. 17. 6.

GATHERED by A. B. Lambert, esq. on the beach at Weymouth towards Portland island, flowering in the latter part of summer. It grows on several parts of the south-west coast of England, and seems to have been first noticed there by Mr. Hudson. In the south of Europe it is frequent in dry waste ground, not being confined to a maritime situation, nor to any particular season of slowering.

Root small, annual. Stem much branched, and spreading flat on the ground, leafy, terminating in numerous forked





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